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WEST RIVER FLOOD PANIC

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HUGE AREA MENACED BY DISASTER

The rising of the West River, due to heavy rains up country, is threatening severe damage to towns and villages which are situated along the banks.

Great anxiety is felt among the farmers whose crops will be ready for harvesting within a month's time, and which are menaced by the steadily rising river.

According to passengers from Canton this morning, the river rose at some places by over 30 feet overnight, and has already submerged hundreds of acres of paddy and rice fields.

WUCHOW FLOODS

At Wuchow, the river suddenly rose and submerged all available wharves and piers. It is still rising and threatens to flood an enormous area.

At Shumshui and Sainam, about 30 miles west of Canton, hundreds of acres are already under water. The gravity of the situation is in the fact that there is already a rice famine in Kwangtung.

Some streets in Fatshan, the popular summer resort of South China, have been flooded and many shopkeepers have been forced to leave their premises.

Cloudy, Rain Probable

The Royal Observatory reports that the trough now extends from Tongking across South China and Formosa to the Pacific eastward of the Bonins; the depression in the western extremity is centred near Swatow moving E.N.E. Forecast: —S.W. winds, moderate; cloudy, rain probable.

Fatal Accident Echo

Mr. F. Schnabel was summoned at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with driving in a manner dangerous to the public. The case arises from the accident in which the late Mr. P. C. Frost was fatally injured. The case was adjourned.

R.A.F. Bomber Crashes

London, To-day. Thousands of holiday-makers witnessed the crash of an R.A.F. plane at the entrance to Langstone Harbour, near Portsmouth, yesterday, when the pilot was killed.

The plane was a torpedo-bomber, which was carrying out manoeuvres.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL DIVORCE CASE PENDING

Appearing on behalf of Mrs. Sylvia D. Reville before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, Puisne Judge, at the Summary Court this morning, Mr. H. L. Kwan claimed a sum of \$50 from his client's husband, Mr. John Reville, as the balance of the maintenance allowance due on June 1 last.

The defendant was represented by Mr. Peter H. Sin, who told the Court that divorce proceedings were pending in connection with the case, and asked for an adjournment for a week.

The Puisne Judge granted the request.

WAR ON WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC

Shanghai, To-day. A vigorous offensive against White Slave traffic, prostitution and child slavery is about to be launched in China.

Preparations were discussed at the inaugural meeting yesterday of the China International Association for the Protection and Relief of Women and children.

Mr. Hsiung Hsi-ling, the noted philanthropist and one-time Premier, was elected President, and Madame Chiang Kai-shek and Madame H. H. Kung honorary Vice-Presidents.

The Association has been formed largely as the result of revelations made at the League of Nations' recent conference in Java on White Slave traffic, to which Mr. Hsiung Hsi-ling was a delegate.—Reuter.

SAVAGE FIGHTING FOR HEIGHTS OF BILBAO: REFUGEE HORROR STORY

Bilbao, To-day.

The biggest battle of the war raged here all through yesterday when the insurgents made a desperate bid to capture heights east of Bilbao, which dominate the city and render its occupation perilous.

The insurgents lost hundreds of dead in successive attacks, in spite of their enormous quantity of planes, artillery and tanks.

Warships of the insurgent fleet last night attacked ships evacuating non-combatants from Bilbao, shelling them and seizing several vessels.

It is reported that one ship was sunk with 300 women and children on board, but no confirmation can be obtained.

70,000 REFUGEES

Already 70,000 refugees have arrived in Santander from Bilbao, the influx causing a serious food and housing problem in the province.

Peasants among the refugees relate how women and children travelling on foot and in ox-carts were bombed and machine-gunned from the air by insurgent planes.

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during their long trek to safety.—Reuter.

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IF HE IS A GAY DOG?

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Such men, one notices, nearly always marry the faithful stay-at-homes. It is nothing to be ashamed of, if you are one of these. In fact, it is a very good job that nature prompts these would-be Don Juans to hitch on to a sturdy anchor, or their homes would very soon be broken up.

It is consoling to remember, too, that your handsome and experienced husband must have seen something very special that he liked in you, to encourage him to settle down at all. Hang on to that undeniable fact, when sometimes you feel you would rather be married to the plainest, dullest man under the sun!

No doubt you have evolved some method of dealing with your hus-

band's vagaries, but here are some additional hints.

Don't, of course, attempt to coquette with him—that would be carrying the war into the enemy's camp—but at least profess an interest in other men on your own account.

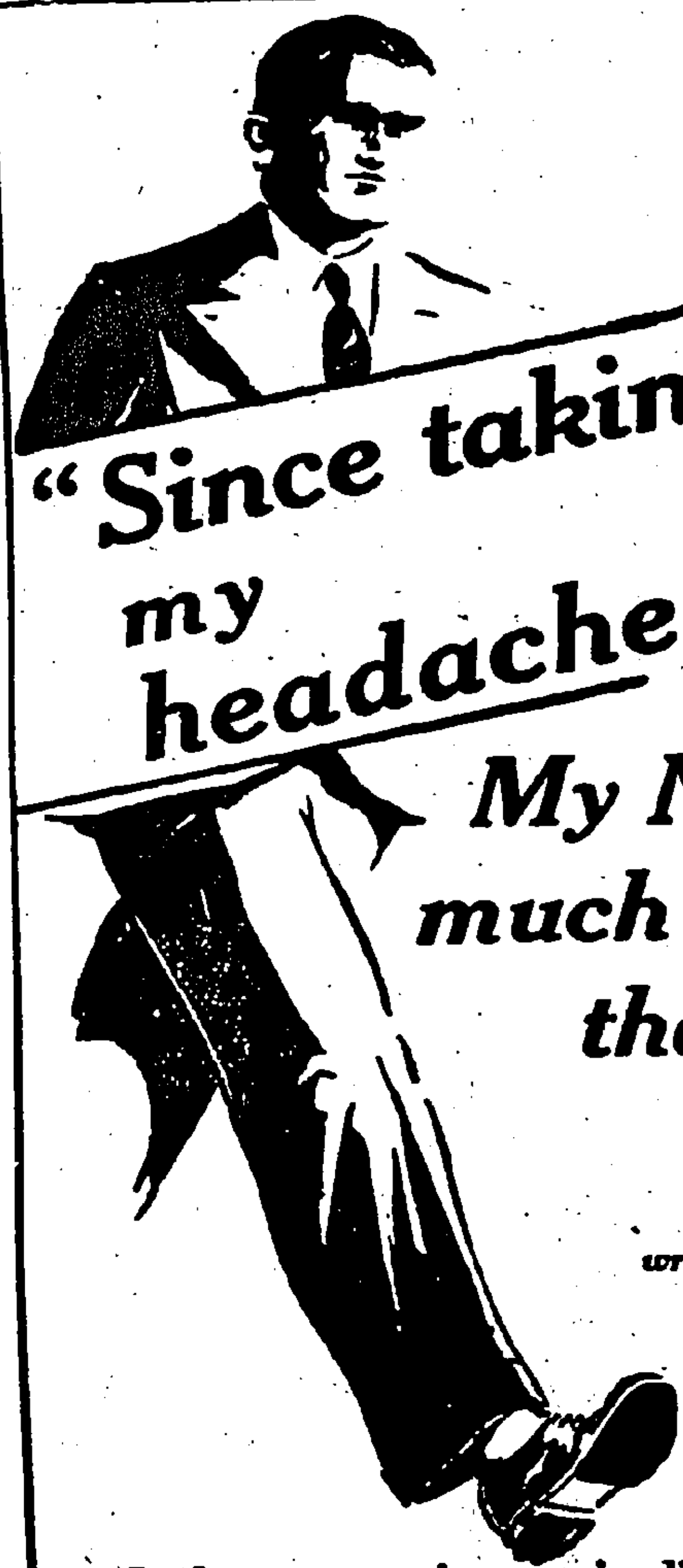
Retain as many masculine friendships as you can—and take an interest in your husband's fancies.

If he is for ever wanting to be out and about, it pays to seem as keen as he is. Otherwise you will merely be left behind. And it is easy to make the best of an amusing evening in pleasant company. Lots of wives no doubt envy you tremendously, little realising how much you would enjoy a few more quiet evenings at home.

Be Well-Dressed

Above all, "keep your end up" as far as your face and clothes are concerned. Be well-dressed, even

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How Diana Gibson Keeps Slender



To keep her shapely legs firm and strong, Diana Gibson, RKO Radio actress, does the following exercise: Standing with hands on hips, she rises on her toes, then slowly comes down with deep bend of knees, slowly returning to her original standing position. The slower you do it the better, she advises. Miss Gibson believes in the exercise way to beauty. A few simple exercises night and morning bring the roses to her cheeks and keep her figure streamlined.

SHAKE WELL

There's a right and a wrong way to do almost everything—even the simple job of shaking a bottle. The right way is to grasp the bottle by the neck, with the bottom up, and give it four or five snappy shakes in the horizontal plane. This will do more to distribute sediments in the bottom of the container than a dozen shakes "up and down."

to the extent of apparent selfishness. Never give your husband an excuse for seeking an escort elsewhere on the grounds that you don't look the part.

Presumably you realised what kind of married life you were undertaking, when you accepted your husband. If so, don't grouse now. Deal with the situation in a detached (as far as possible), matter-of-fact way, and make the best of it. Think of the many women who would willingly exchange their quiet lives for your gay one!

This Applies to All Husbands

Try playing their own game occasionally. It gives them a shock and rubs in a few home-truths. But don't do this too often or the method will lose its novelty, and consequently its effect.

Be careful that in a moment of extreme exasperation you don't make unfair use of your intimate knowledge of your husband's foibles. In any case it is never wise to let your spouse realise how well you know him. It only makes him feel uncomfortable and at a disadvantage, and this is hurtful to his vanity.

In most married partnerships one is definitely the older and wiser in knowledge, if not in years. If it seems to be your job to "play the hand," don't worry. You will find, later on anyway, that the reliance and trust instinctively placed in you taste very sweet.

RICE AND MINCE

For each person have three ounces of minced steak, half a chopped onion, an ounce of rice, and about half a cupful of stock (or water flavoured with meat extract). Put a little butter or good dripping in a frying-pan and fry the onion until soft. Take it out and keep hot, put the meat in the dripping, and fry for a minute or two until just brown. The rice should be boiled for ten minutes in salted water and well drained. Put the meat with the onion and fry the rice for a few minutes. Drain off any superfluous fat, and put the meat, onion, and rice into a stewpan or casserole with the stock, well flavoured. Simmer very slowly indeed for fifteen to twenty minutes, then pile in a hot dish and serve with fingers of toast. A little tomato or other piquant sauce can be added if liked.

Members of the three Welsh Baptist churches at Llandudno decided unconditionally to retain the services of their minister, the Rev. L. E. Valentine, who is serving nine months' imprisonment in the second division for his share in setting fire to the R.A.F. Bombing School near Pwllheli.

Chelsea Council is to present five National Savings Certificates to each baby born in the borough on Coronation Day.



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On Isle Of Man
Senior T.T. Race**

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30 p.m.—Orchestral Music.
Overture in D Minor (Handel, arr. Elgar) ... London Symphony Orchestra, Cond: by Albert Coates.
Norwegian Rhapsody (Lalo), Orchestre Symphonique de Paris, Cond: by Pierre Chagnon.
Slavonic Dance No. 14 in B Flat Major,
Slavonic Dance No. 15 in C Major (Dvorak) ... Czech Philharmonic Orchestra, Cond: by Vaclav Talich.
Marche Heroique (Saint-Saens), Orchestre Symphonique de Paris, Cond: by F. Ruhlmann.
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Hawaiian Music.
Honolulu March,
Kohala March,
Frank Ferera & John K. Paaluh.
Underneath the blue Hawaiian skies,
Sweet Hawaiian Dream Girl,
The Hawaiian Marimba Players.
Rock me in a cradle of Kalua,
Maybe it's the moon,
Frank Ferera's Hawaiian Trio.
Drifting and dreaming,

Chiquita—Waltz,
Ferera and Paaluh (Hawaiian Guitar Duets).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Reginald Foort at the Cinema Organ.
Reminiscences of Friml.
Sleep, my little one.
In the Chapel in the moonlight.
"The King Steps Out" Medley.
2 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.
Waltz of the lost love,
His dreamy waltz (arr. Schwartz), Russian Novelty Orchestra.
Souvenir Fleuri,
Coeur ardent (unknown),
Nullo Romani & His Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—London—"To be published shortly." How a book is produced, tracing its story from the time it leaves the author to the moment when it appears on the bookstalls. Devised by James Potter, produced by Pascoe Thornton (Electrical Re-

cording).
7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.33 p.m.—New Dance Hits.
Fox-Trot—
I stumbled over love.
When my dream boat comes home.
Slow Fox-Trot—Sweet Lillani.
Fox-Trot—Love and learn.
Quick-Step—
On the Isle of Kitchymiboko.
Tango—My lost love.
Fox-Trot—
Ebony shadows.
Big Boy Blue.
On the trail where the sun hangs low.
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Scheherazade, Op. 35 (Rimsky-Korsakov), played by The Philadelphia Orchestra, conducted by Leopold Stokowski.
1st Movement—Largo e maestoso—Lento—Allegro non troppo.
2nd Movement—Lento—Andantino—Allegro molto.
3rd Movement—Andantino quasi allegretto.
4th Movement—Allegro molto—Lento—Allegro molto e frenetico—(Part 1) lento—vivo.
(Part 2) Spiritoso—Allegro non troppo maestoso.
Alla breve (Conclusion).
8.52 p.m.—Two Songs by Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).
Addio Bel Sogno,
Soloperte, Lucia La Canzone Dell' Amore.
9 p.m.—London—The Senior T.T. Race.

A commentary by four commentators on the Senior International Auto-Cycle Tourist Trophy Race. From the Isle of Man. At the Grand Stand, Graham Walker and Victor Smythe. At Craig-ny-Baa, J. H. L. Cowin. At the Town Hall, Ramsey, James Tovey.
9.45 p.m.—London—News and Announcements.
10.10 p.m.—A Short Pianoforte Programme.
Presto Passionato (Appendix to Op. 22), (Schumann),
Vladimir Horowitz.
Staccato Etude (Rubinstein),
La Campanella (Paganini, arr. Liszt) Mischa Levitzki.
Three Chinese Pieces (Chasins) Abram Chasins.
1. Flirtation in a Chinese Garden—
2. Rush Hour in Hong Kong—A Shanghai Tragedy.
10.30 p.m.—London—Big Ben. Variety.
Orchestra—
Old Bohemian Town,
Cara Mia,
Alfredo and His Orchestra.
Piano Duets—
Nymph Errant—Selection,
There's a ring around the moon,
Carroll Gibbons & John W. Green.
Humorous—
Sandy, the Dentist..Sandy Powell.
Vocal—
Sentimental Gentleman from Georgia,
Mood Indigo...The Boswell Sisters.
Piano Solos—
Taggin' along with you,
With all my heart...Gerry Moore.
11 p.m.—Close dawn.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Redoubled Contract

My correspondent had the following remarks to make in connection with the hand discussed to-day.

"What is termed in salvation circles 'a dog fight' developed over this remarkable hand. Everybody accused everybody else of committing some ghastly error. East is the only one who maintains that he was entirely guiltless throughout the bidding and play, and indeed, the rest of us agree with his contention. So let the fines fall where they may!"

North, dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
S—A K Q J 9
H—None
D—A 8 7 4
C—K Q 5 4

WEST EAST
S—None S—8 7 5 4 3 2
H—A Q J 8 7 4 3 H—K 10 9 6 5 2
D—Q J 5 D—None
C—9 3 2 C—8

SOUTH
S—10 6
H—None
D—K 10 9 6 3 2
C—A J 10 7 6

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 spade	Pass	2 diam.	2 hearts
4 diam.	5 diam.	6 clubs	Double
Redouble	Pass	Pass	Pass

"West led the ace of hearts, which declarer ruffed in his own hand, while discarding a diamond from the dummy. The trumps then were picked up. Declarer discarded three of his own diamonds on dummy's long spades, and finally conceded one diamond trick to West, making his six clubs redoubled. East almost had a fit, bellowing that his five diamond bid was an absolute demand for his partner to open diamonds if the opponents played the hand in some other trump suit.

[Obviously, on a diamond opening, East could have ruffed and returned a spade which West would have ruffed.]

"West maintained that East 'might be fooling' in his diamond cue bid, and that he saw no reason to jeopardize a certain diamond trick by leading away from his queen-jack. South gave North the

devil for not taking him back to six diamonds, which would have been safe against any lead, and North retorted that he already had given a double raise in diamonds and that South could go back by himself. Can you unscramble this mess?"

"Mess" is right! The only player who bid properly was East. After his diamond cue bid, which the other three players should have read as representing a blank suit, both North and South were criminally stupid to contract for six clubs rather than six diamonds. As for West's double and subsequent lead of the heart ace, these were errors almost too horrible to mention. The double was not nearly as bad as the lead, because he could figure on East's ruffing an opening diamond lead and probably returning a spade. There was absolutely no excuse for East to imagine that his own partner "was fooling" in such an important cue bid.

Although South made the contract, his play was so bad that it makes all the other errors look innocent. On a vulnerable, redoubled contract, an extra trick is not to be sneezed at, and it was his for the asking. To ruff the ace of hearts in his own hand had no point whatsoever. A ruff in the dummy would have permitted a diamond discard, and he later could have discarded his other three losing diamonds on dummy's spades for a cold seven. If West had properly passed the six club bid to East, the latter would have bid six hearts, which would have been a lay-down, and if the opponents ran out, they could be defeated at any higher contract.

West and South draw limit fines, class D, on this hand.

To-day's Question

Question: Dealer opened with one diamond. My partner [second hand] doubled. Third hand passed, and I held the following:

S—Q J 10 8
H—10 8 6 5 3
D—9 7
C—8 6

What should have been my response?

Answer: One heart.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Tiger Shark," with Edward G. Robinson, Richard Arlen and Zita Johann. An old favourite from First National.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Satan Met A Lady," with Bette Davis, Warren William, Alison Skipworth, Arthur Treacher and Winifred Shaw. A new-thriller from the author of "The Thin Man" which will keep you in laughter from start to finish.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Mr. Deeds Goes To Town," with Gary Cooper and Jean Arthur. One of the biggest laugh riots in tears, the film shows Gary as the country boy who inherits a fortune and shows the big city that he is smarter than he looks.

AT THE KING'S—"Mary Stevens, M.D.," Kay Francis as an unwed doctor finds she is to have a child—Lyle Talbot, Glenda Farrell and George Cooper.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Time Out For Romance," with Claire Trevor, Michael Whalen, Joan Davis, and Douglas Fowley. A Fox production which traces the exciting and hilarious adventures of a cross-country caravan.

AT THE STAR—"College Holiday," with several of the screen's outstand-

ing comedians supporting George Burns, Gracie Allen, Mary Boland and Martha Raye, who go through their paces in one continuous howl of laughter.

NEXT CHANGE

QUEEN'S, ALHAMBRA AND STAR—"Waikiki Wedding"—A gay, glamorous romantic musical from the land of hula hula, with Bing Crosby, Bob Burns, Martha Raye, Shirley Ross and George Barbier.

ORIENTAL—"Love On The Run," with Clark Gable, Joan Crawford, Franchot Tone and Reginald Owen. Following her triumph as the "The Gorgeous Hussy," Joan Crawford gives another outstanding performance. A series of hectic and laugh-packed escapades.

MAJESTIC—"Romeo And Juliet"—Leslie Howard and Norma Shearer in role of the famous Italian lovers and John Barrymore selected for important part of Mercutio. Others are Basil Rathbone, Ralph Forbes, C. Aubrey Smith, Reginald Denny, Conway Tearle, Edna May Oliver and Andy Devine.

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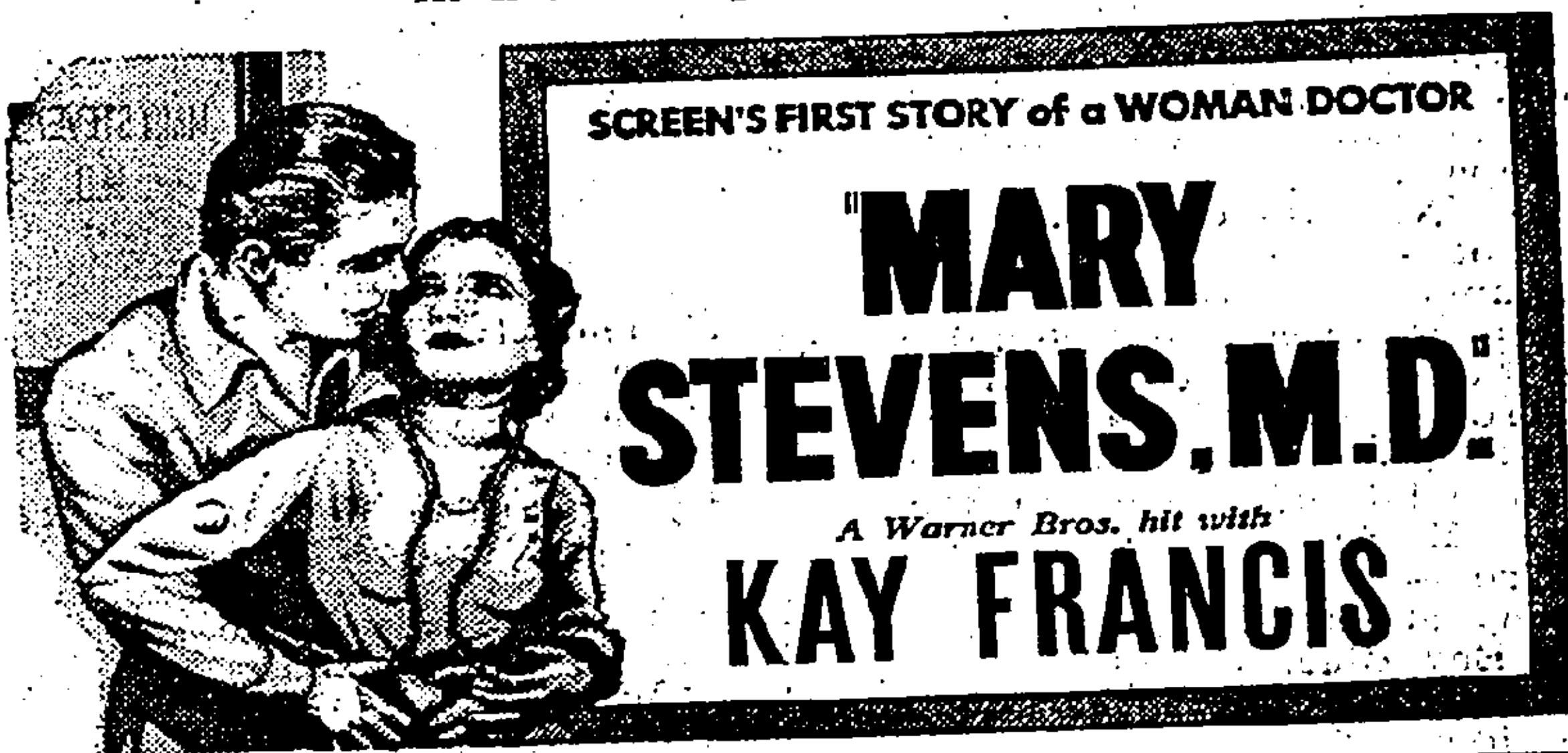
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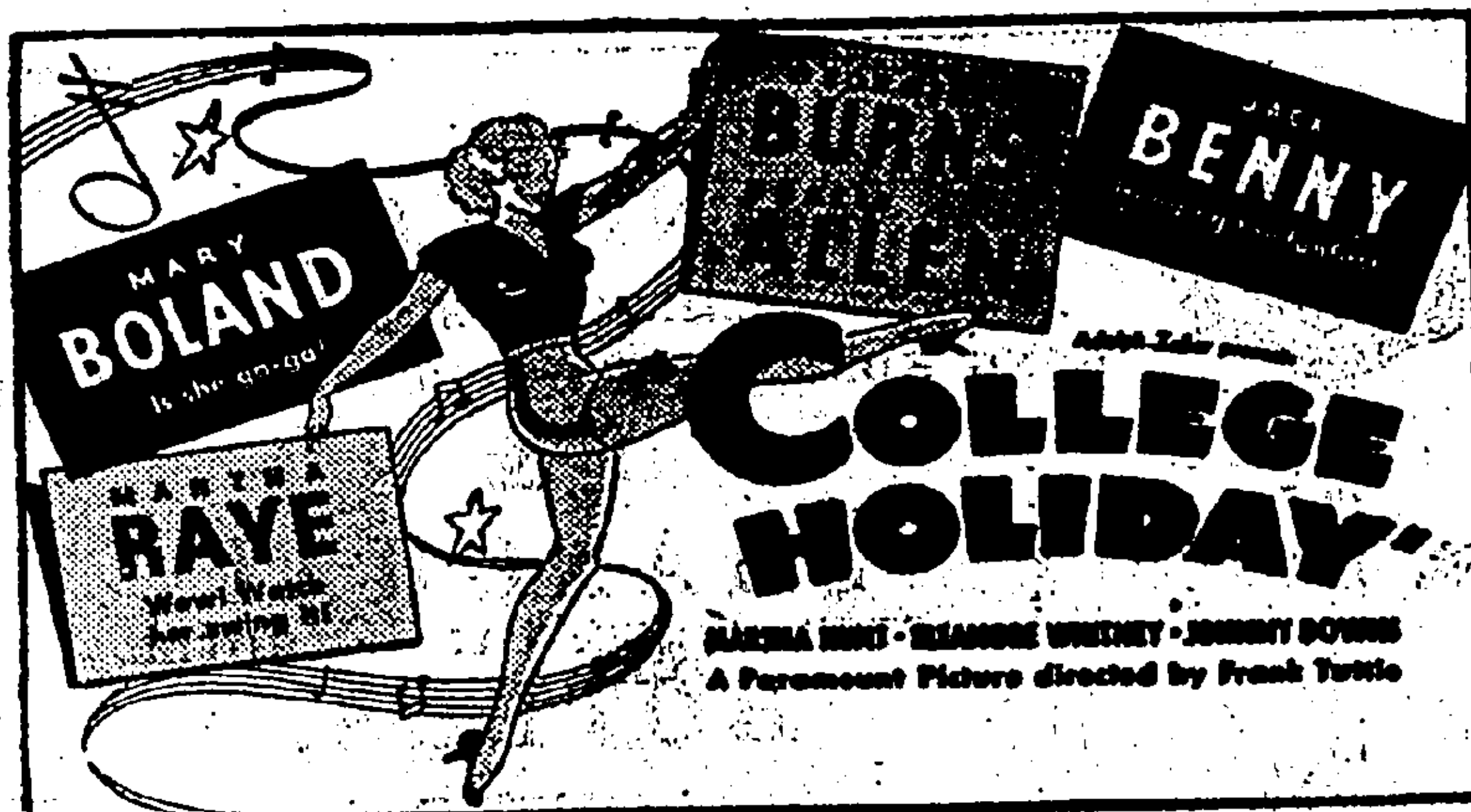
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JAPANESE TANKS AND ARMOURD CARS SENT INTO CHAHAR

Japanese air bombers and armoured cars are reported to have been rushed to Chiapossu in Chahar to aid Prince Teh in his campaign against the volunteer uprising.

Some reports to-day put the figure of the forces at the disposal of the "rebels" at 50,000, and state that they are flying the Chinese national flag as their rallying banner.

According to news reaching Peiping, drastic steps have been taken in the districts bordering on the centre of the revolt.

Upwards of 100 persons have been killed and additional hundreds arrested in the province in the anti-Manchukuo riots during the past fortnight, according to reports published by vernacular newspapers. The papers claim that irregular troops were undertaking vigorous suppressive measures.

Defections within the ranks of the irregulars were said to have occurred with loyal troops pursuing the deserters in armoured cars and machine gunning them.

DISORDERS DENIED

A spokesman for the Japanese military in Nanking is reported to have said "we have heard nothing of such serious disorders," although the Japanese press claim there is a widespread plot in Chahar to overthrow the Japanese dominated irregular regime. The Japanese papers quote the Tokyo Foreign Office as expressing the fear that "if the trouble is not quelled a serious incident can be expected."

Earlier this month unconfirmed reports reached Peiping saying a mob of infuriated civilians, presumably Chinese Mongols, stormed the barracks of the 6th irregular division at Changpei, north Chahar, occupied the place, beheaded a half dozen alleged Chinese traitors and displayed the heads at the city's gates. The reports, reaching Chinese sources from Pingtichuan and published in local vernaculars, added that due to the gravity of the situation Manchukuoan officers stationed at Changpei had appealed to the authorities at Jehol for reinforcements but that the additional troops were not sent.

The reports now say that Japanese aircraft are operating between Jehol city and Chapsur, where Teh has his capital.

Another Japanese Film Banned

Apparently taking their cue from the furore caused by the showing of the "New Earth" film, the Japanese Consulate-General has instructed the Towa Theatre, Shanghai, not to screen a film entitled "Our 8,000-kilometre National Defence Line."

The reason for the order was a belief that the showing of the picture would induce misunderstanding in the minds of foreigners and Chinese alike.

The film, the dailies said, aimed to acquaint Japanese spectators with the problems caused by the expansion of Japanese influence since the Russo-Japanese War and the Manchurian Incident.

The P. and O. s.s. "Kidderpore" left Moji for this port on the 17th inst. and is due here on the 22nd inst.



PRINCE TEH WANG

FUNERAL OF DEUTSCHLAND VICTIMS

Berlin, To-day.

The 31 victims of the Deutschland bombing were laid to rest in the Naval Cemetery at Wilhelmshaven yesterday opposite the graves of sailors killed in the Battle of Jutland.

Impressive rites accompanied the burial, which was attended by Herr Hitler, the Defence Minister, Field-Marshal von Blomberg, the Commander-in-Chief of the German Navy, Admiral Raeder, and a crowd of several thousand.

Immediately after the arrival of Herr Hitler, Admiral Raeder commenced the funeral oration, in the course of which he paid tribute to the conduct of the members of the crew of the battleship, mentioning the victims in particular. He added that the behaviour of the sailors would serve as an admirable example to the German Navy.

MEN'S MOTTO

Admiral Raeder drew attention to the motto of Frederick the Great, which hung in the men's quarters on the Deutschland — "It is not necessary that I live but only that I fulfil my duty" — and added that the victims of the bombing would never be forgotten.

At the close of the Admiral's oration the names of the victims were read out to the accompaniment of the roll of muffled drums, and as the coffins were slowly lowered into the graves three volleys were fired.

During the ceremony all the churches of Wilhelmshafen sounded a dirge.—Trans-Ocean.

Dr. Chou Lou's Return

Canton, To-day.

Dr. Chou Lou, Chancellor of the Sun Yat-sen University, after spending several months in Nanking, is on his way to Canton. It is officially reported that Dr. Chou arrived at Changsha yesterday morning on the Canton-Hankow Railway. — Our Own Correspondent.

BEAUTIFUL WOMAN OGPU SPY BROUGHT INTO FALL OF TUKATCHEVSKI STORY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

LONDON, TO-DAY.
A MILITARY DICTATORSHIP, WITH THE WAR COMMISSAR, MARSHAL VOROSHILOV, IN SUPREME CHARGE OF THE GOVERNMENT, IS ENVISAGED BY THE MOSCOW CORRESPONDENT OF THE LONDON "MORNING POST."

The correspondent says that many quarters in Moscow would not be surprised if this development should occur within the next few days.

Preliminary to this, says the correspondent, is the fact that the functions of the G.P.U., the much-dreaded secret police, have been taken over by the Red Army. Assumption of control by the Army, he adds, would apparently be popular, judging from the enthusiastic demonstrations which attend the appearance in the streets of the capital of officers and even soldiers.

FAMINE DANGER

Several papers publish reports which declare that a famine on an unprecedented scale is threatening the Soviet Union this year owing to a drought which has prevailed in the most important agricultural districts of the Union since May, and the extreme shortage of seed has resulted in insufficient or delayed cultivation of the fields.

The threatening famine, so it is asserted, is the real reason for the numerous arrests in the agricultural areas.

The Soviet Russian Government claims that scientists deliberately "sabotage" the harvest by spreading diseases to the plants.

By the arrests of the alleged saboteurs, the Soviet Government hopes to shift the responsibility for the famine onto the shoulders of the scientists.

LENINGRAD CRISIS

The situation is said to be particularly grave in the farming areas around Leningrad, where, the Soviet Russian Press admits, an acute hunger crisis prevails.

Three thousand hundredweights of seed have been distributed among the peasants of this region in order to assure the provisioning of the population till the new harvest.

Stalin, so it is said, has ordered a reduction of the grain tax.

According to "The Times" a number of peasants have been arrested for alleged sabotage in White Russia, the Crimea and the Moscow districts.

Soviet authorities assert that examination of the baggage of a foreign "spy" who was recently arrested showed that the "spy" in question had smuggled a parcel of seed infected with germs into the Soviet Union.

WIVES BANISHED

Meanwhile, an echo of the recent "generals' trial" is contained in news that the wives of General Tukatchevski and General Putna have been banished to Siberia.

General Putna's 16-year-old son, who had been attending a military college, has been sent to a juvenile delinquents' institution.

"BEAUTIFUL WOMAN"

Another report says that most of the incriminating evidence against General Tukatchevski was provided by a beautiful G.P.U. agent named Lydia Vorongoff.

She is reported to have become intimate with the General and to have denounced him to the authorities when she had collected sufficient evidence against him.

She is stated to have been rewarded with the post of deputy chief of the Soviet counter-espionage service.—Trans-Ocean.

COMMISSAR ARRESTED

Moscow, To-day.

The Deputy Commissar for Agriculture, M. Zylko, has been arrested, says an announcement in the official agricultural organ.

Commenting on the arrest, the journal says M. Zylko was "an enemy of the State who had given orders for the castration of breeding stock and prize-rams and thereby furnished a typical example of the work of wreckers." — Trans Ocean.

LORD MAYOR OF LONDON OPENING BRITISH PAVILION

London, To-day.

The Lord Mayor of London, Sir George Broadbent, left for Paris yesterday accompanied by the Lady Mayoress.

Sir George will open the British Pavilion at the Paris Exhibition on Saturday.

Three of the Lord Mayor's special coaches, with horses, have been sent to Paris, where they will take part in the ceremonies at the Exhibition.—Trans-Ocean.

ACADEMIC TALKS ON FUTURE OF CHINA

Month's Conference At Kuling

Shanghai To-day.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is summoning the leading professors of universities in China to Kuling to discuss the political, economic and educational problems of the country. The conference will start on July 15 and will close on August 15.—Our Own Correspondent.

Soviet Ambassador In Germany

Moscow, To-day.

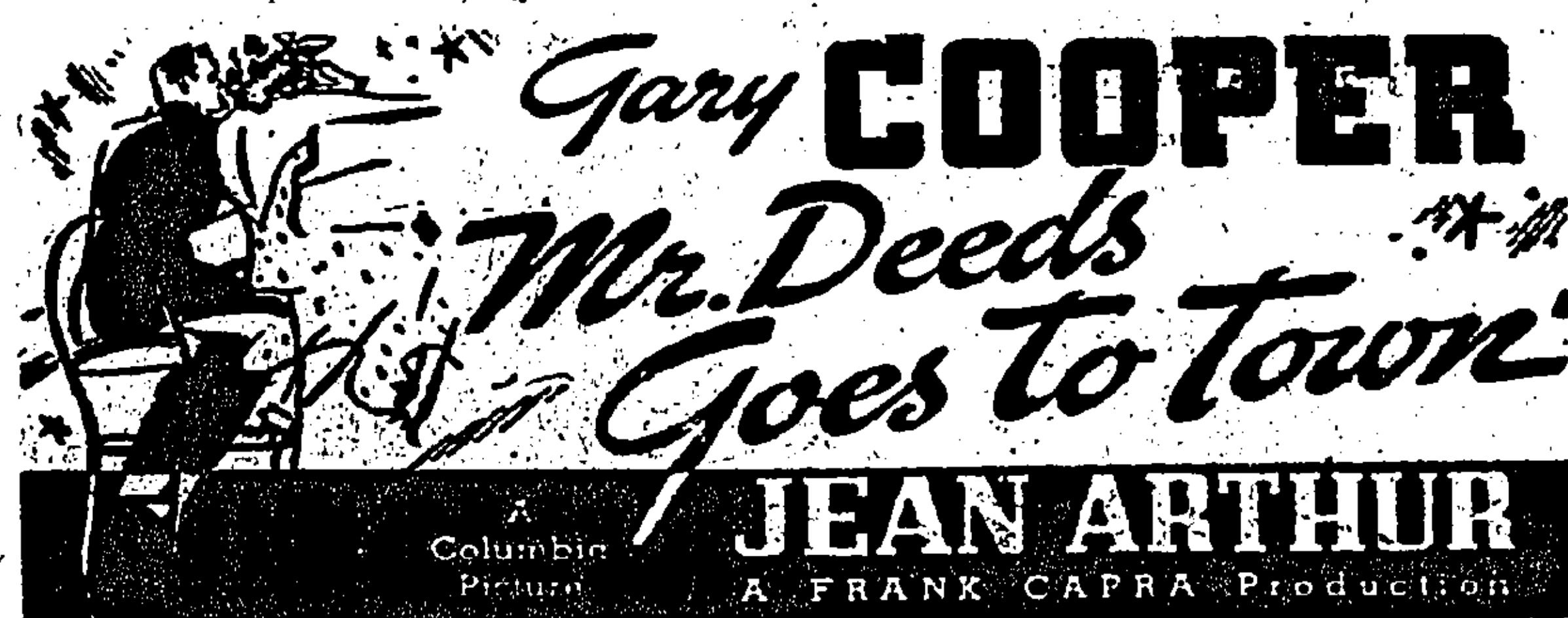
It is announced that M. Konstantin Yurenev has been appointed Soviet Ambassador to Germany and has been relieved of his duties as Ambassador to Japan.—Reuter.

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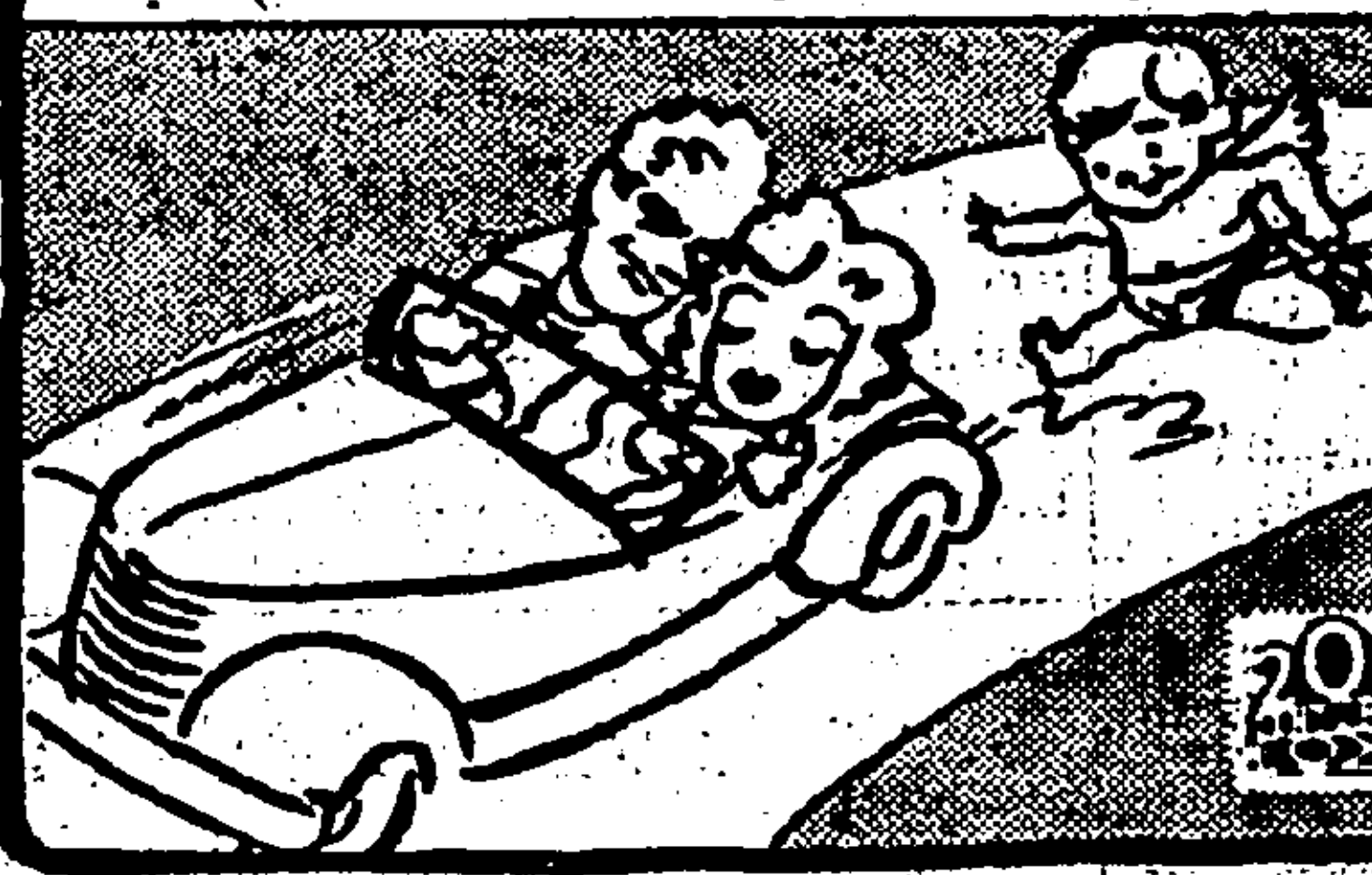
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ITALIAN SHIP BOMBED AND RAKED WITH MACHINE-GUNS BY SPANISH PLANES

Gibraltar, To-day.

The Italian steamer *Madda* reported on arrival here yesterday that she was bombed and raked with machine-gun fire by two Spanish Government aeroplanes off Oran.

Thirty bombs were dropped, causing considerable damage.

In addition, over 100 marks of bullets are visible on the ship, though miraculously there were no casualties.

The *Madda* was on the way to Glasgow from Port Sudan, in the Red Sea, when she was suddenly attacked by the Republican aircraft.

Most of the bombs missed the ship by a few yards, only two registering direct hits, both of which, however, damaged the ship's side and let in water. The pumps, however, were able to keep the ship afloat and she limped into Gibraltar under her own steam.

THIRTY BOMBS DROPPED

The skipper of the *Madda*, according to the London evening newspapers, declared on arrival at Gibraltar that 30 bombs were dropped, after which the planes swooped down over the ship and machine-gunned the decks. — Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

DES VOEUX ROAD FATALITY

Police Seeking Man For Enquiries

The police are hunting for a 33-year-old odd job coolie, Leung Yai, in connection with the death of 60-year-old Tau Pei-tong, who was discovered seriously injured in the back yard of No. 168, Des Voeux Road West shortly after 9 p.m. yesterday.

The man succumbed to his injuries 30 minutes after being admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital.

It is believed that he fell from the second floor, where he went to smoke opium.

Investigations last night are said to have revealed that the deceased had an argument with Leung Yai over the theft of a chicken crate before his body was found in the yard below.

Leung Yai has not yet been traced by the Police.

"SILENT ZONE"

Seven Offenders Fined One Dollar

A nominal fine of \$1 was imposed on seven defendants summoned for sounding their horns during prohibited hours in the "Silent Zone."

Mr. R. J. White, care of Messrs. Jardine Matheson; Mr. A. A. Bremner, of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews; and Mr. W. G. Luke, of No. 15A Magazine Gap Road were among those summoned. Mr. R. M. C. Dobbs and Mr. A. Watts were cautioned this morning by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy when they pleaded guilty by letter to leaving their car unattended in Theatre Lane on June 5.

H.M.S. BARHAM ARRIVES IN BARCELONA

LONDON, TO-DAY.

ADMIRAL SIR DUDLEY POUND, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE MEDITERRANEAN FLEET, ARRIVED IN BARCELONA YESTERDAY ON BOARD HIS FLAGSHIP, H.M.S. BARHAM.

Admiral Pound held a long conversation with the British Consul-General, Mr. Norman King.

Barham was accompanied by H.M.S. Shropshire and H.M.S. Woolwich.

GERMAN RELIEFS

Meanwhile, Germany is sending relief warships to Spanish waters.

This was revealed yesterday when it was announced that the cruisers *Nuremberg* and *Karlsruhe*, and three torpedo-boats, had sailed under the command of Vice-Admiral Voehm for Spain.

They will relieve German warships now on patrol duty.

HITLER SEES DEUTSCHLAND
Herr Hitler yesterday inspected the pocket-battleship *Deutschland* at Wilhelmshaven. He was accompanied by Field-Marshal von Blomberg, the Defence Minister, and Admiral Raeder, Commander-in-Chief of the German Navy.—Trans-Ocean.

Alleged Dangerous Driving

Mrs. S. C. Feltham, care of the Hong Kong Hotel, was summoned this morning before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy with driving in a manner dangerous to the public on Island Road near Deep Water Bay at 4.30 p.m. on June 6.

Mr. W. A. Mackinlay appeared for the defendant and pleaded not guilty. The case was adjourned to July 6.

Parking Summonses

The first batch of summons concerning the parking of cars longer than two hours in certain places in the Central District, came before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy, when seven defendants were cautioned.

Among those summoned were Mr. M. N. Rakusen, of Messrs. Sennet Freres, Mr. W. Stoker, of the Hong Kong Electric, Mr. H. Hong Sling and Dr. M. J. Reidy.

BEGINNING OF BILBAO'S END?

All Ministers Except Defence Council Take Flight

REBEL CAPTURE MAY BE DELAYED SEVERAL DAYS

Durango, To-day.

The occupation of Bilbao by the insurgent troops will not take place for several days, declare rebel military circles here.

Yesterday was devoted largely to consolidating the positions gained during the past 48 hours, and in mopping up groups of Basque infantry and machine-gun nests in the hills. Prisoners and deserters taken by the insurgents yesterday numbered almost 1,000.

A SEMI-CIRCULAR LINE HAS BEEN FORMED TO THE WEST OF BILBAO, EXTENDING FROM THE RIGHT BANK OF THE RIVER NERVION TO THE SOUTH-EAST HEIGHTS, AND THE REBEL TROOPS ARE ONLY WAITING FOR THE COMMAND TO MARCH INTO THE CITY.

Reason for the delay in taking Bilbao is said to be the desire of the insurgent commanders to prepare every detail before the advance on the city is begun, so that the action will be swift and decisive with a minimum loss of life and material.

It is known, moreover, that the Basques are still occupying positions in the mountains from which they could shell Bilbao should it be occupied by the rebels.

Other bodies of Basques are concentrating on the coast in order to oppose any insurgent advance on Santander.

MADRID QUIET

All was quiet on the Madrid front yesterday.

On the Jarama sector the artillery and machine-guns of both sides were active, the insurgents shelling Republican troop concentrations.—Trans-Ocean.

BASQUE CABINET SPLITS UP

Only Defence Council Staying In Bilbao

Bayonne, To-day.

The Basque Government has left Bilbao for different localities in the Basque province.

The Defence Council, which is still functioning in the beleaguered city, is composed of the Minister of Justice (Senor I. Prieto), the Minister of Industry (Senor Giner de los Rios), and the Minister of Public Works (Senor Vicente Uribe), representing the Basque Nationalists, Socialists and Communists, respectively, and General Ulibarri.

The Minister of Commerce has gone to Santander to attend to the feeding of the refugees there.—Reuter.

Forthcoming Wedding

Mr. Nils Wennech Smaby, of Messrs. Thoresen and Company, Limited, residing at No. 5, Suffolk Road, Kowloon Tong, has announced that his marriage to Miss Karen Elisabeth Aasland, of Skien, Norway, who is enroute to the Colony by the m.v. Taronga, will take place shortly after Miss Aasland's arrival.

NINE BATTALIONS CUT OFF

Insurgent Operations Claims

St. Jean de Luz, To-day.

Nine battalions of Basque militia, numbering between 3,000 and 4,000 men, have been completely cut off by the insurgents, says a communique issued in Salamanca.

Insurgent columns under General Pinto have effected highly successful operations along the River Nervion, south of Bilbao.

They have occupied half a dozen villages, it is claimed.

In Bayonne a message has been received from the Havas correspondent with the insurgents stating that the Bilbao-Santander road is under rebel artillery fire for a distance of eight miles.

From Paris it is reported that the British steamer "Thurston," famous for her blockade-running exploits, has arrived at the French port of Rochefort from Bilbao with 2,065 boxes containing documents belonging to the Basque Government.

The skipper of the "Thurston" denied rumours to the effect that he had gold and other valuables on board as well.

REFUGEES IN NAVAL BOAT

"Le Temps," in a message from La Rochelles, says that the French authorities have succeeded after lengthy negotiations in inducing the captain of the Spanish Republican torpedo-boat "Ciscar" to release 116 refugees on board.

The captain, says the paper, wanted to release 61 women and children refugees and to send 55 men on board back to Spain to serve at the front.

Negotiations were begun in Hendaye yesterday between representatives of General Franco and French and Portuguese railway companies for the resumption of direct railway connection between Paris and Lisbon.

It is hoped to be able to arrange for transit traffic.

Carriages would be locked and passengers would not be allowed to

Explosion On Spanish Warship

Valencia, To-day.

Eighteen were killed and 100 injured in an explosion which followed the outbreak of fire at 3.25 yesterday afternoon on board the Republican battleship Jaime Primo.

The Jaime Primo is at present undergoing repairs at Port Cartagena.—Reuter.

alight at any Spanish station en route.

ARENAS OCCUPIED

A Salamanca communique says that General Franco's troops have occupied the port of Arenas, at the mouth of the Nervion River, about six miles from the centre of Bilbao.

On the Andalusian front Republican aircraft are reported to have bombed Motril yesterday.—Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

POLICE RAID ON COMMUNISTS

Warsaw, To-day.

The Polish police, carrying out a surprise raid yesterday, arrested 80 Communists who had met to discuss the situation in the Soviet.

Documents confiscated by the police included a general proclamation extolling the action of the Kremlin in executing the eight generals.

The actions of the Polish police is in pursuance of the strong anti-Communist policy recently adopted by the authorities.—Trans-Ocean.

Socialist Internationale Meets On Spain

Geneva, To-day.

The Second Internationale and the Amsterdam Trade Union Internationale, in a joint session here, are deliberating ways and means of aiding Republican Spain.

Though the Third Internationale has sent no representatives, definite signs of Moscow's influence were evident. The meeting was presided over by the Belgian Socialist leader, M. de Brouckers, and among those who put forward suggestions were the French Socialist leader, M. Jouhaux, the English Labourite Mr. Hayday, and the Secretary of the International Trade Union Federation, M. Scheveneale.

Two Spanish Social-Democrats and three Syndicalists were also present.

CONFERENCE CHARGES

In a statement issued to the press yesterday evening, Italy and Germany were accused of acts of intervention in Spain, and an appeal was made for further action on the part of international socialism.

M. de Brouckere added to this statement by foreshadowing a big meeting of international labour in Paris, probably next week. He said it was still uncertain whether the Third Internationale would be asked to join in the deliberations or not.—Trans-Ocean.

Amelia Heads For Bangkok

Calcutta, To-day.

Amelia Earhart hopped off for Bangkok in her round-the-world flight at 6.42 this morning (local time).—Reuter.

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VERSUS

It is a strange problem,
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SCREEN SHADOWS

EVERY time I have written about wives versus secretaries I have been accused of making things tough—or easy—for the secretary, according to the sex of the reader.

I haven't meant to. I like wives and secretaries and husbands, and belong to the Square Deal party, even when curves predominate.

But it has been brought to my attention of late that a greater menace to the home is the glamour girl, the passion flower of the cinema screen. Well, in a measure this is perfectly true.

It is very difficult for the average married woman to compete with ladies of the screen.

When, after a hard day's work making the Little Home liveable, calming the baby or wrangling with the tradesmen, she goes to the nearest cinema to relax, it must be something of a blow to her to regard her husband's rapt expression as he leans back in his seat and watches Miss Harlow escort her well-known lines across his view.

Another thing which is a poser is the fact that when the missus pretties herself to go forth and regard Clark Gable, Robert Taylor, Errol Flynn or Ronnie Colman, her lord and master groans and cries: "Must we go out again to-night? Why can't we say home with the papers and the radio?"

Yet when she mentions that Harlow, Crawford, Shearer, Dietrich or one of a dozen other lilies of the field are appearing in their latest pictures, he kicks the radio across the room, grabs his hat and yelps, "Let's go!"

Now all these stars, and a multitude besides, may have been born beautiful and talented, but they have to work at it.

They have to spend hours in the hands of hair-dressers, dentists, plastic surgeons, masseuses, trainers and make-up experts.

They can't call their souls their own, much less their faces and their figures.

If the lady who goes to the movies with her husband had to do all this in order to buck up competition, she wouldn't have ten minutes over for heating the baby's bottle and dusting the furniture—to say nothing of sewing buttons on her husband's shirts.

Now the real fans of the Hollywood female star are the women.

They emulate. They wear copies of star clothes and star make-up and star hair-cuts and sometimes it's all right and more often it's all wrong.

But you have to hand it to them. They know what they're up against or they seem to think they know.

And it's not only the average woman with a house to keep who suffers by comparison with the Hollywood Garden of Girls. It's the leisure class lady, too, who can afford an expensive masseuse and manicurist.

Why?

Because the attraction of the screen star for the average man, rich or poor, does not lie primarily in her appearance.

It's because he doesn't know her and probably never will. Because he hasn't seen her in the early morning, and because he has no idea what she'd reply to a given question.

All men know these things about their wives.

It is one of life's little ironies that a woman who lives on a small budget, who has to weigh the cost of every household item, must sometimes come away from a cinema feeling that she wished she'd gone alone; that Joe hadn't been with her.

Joe was always partial to blondes, and she was very blonde, quite naturally, ten or fifteen years ago. But she isn't any more.

And so, what was Joe thinking as Garbo smiled slowly at him from the screen?

Sure, she's right. Joe was probably thinking just what she thought he was.

When, a day or so later, she tries a new hair style, it is pretty brutal to have him look up from the paper and say, "Do I see anything different? . . . what's up with you?"

Oh, sure, your hair! It looks terrible! Who do you think you are—Garbo?

Wives have colds in their heads. Screen stars don't—on the screen. Or if they do, the colds are comic and not disfiguring.

Wives weep when things go wrong. So do screen stars, but they weep beautifully!

Wives are pretty busy when their husbands return from work; they can't stand in attitudes of admiration while their faces light up with love and rapture.

Screen stars can turn on that light for a gentleman who, in real life, may be as pleasing to them as a good dose of poison ivy. But all the audience sees is the love light.

Listen, wives and sweethearts of the men in the audience:—

Glamour is expensive and takes eternal vigilance. Fortunate women who are not cinema stars may achieve it by hard work, personal maids and wealth. But it doesn't endure.

Film stars achieve it and enhance it because it's their stock-in-trade, their audience appeal, their box-office necessity.

They work at it. And it costs them a lot. It costs them time which is priceless and money which is anything you want to believe it. It costs them privacy—and often happiness.

The shadows on the screen are shadows; lovely shadows, romantic, breath-catching.

But the wife in the audience is superior to these if she but knew it.

For she has certain basic fundamental things for which many a glamour girl would gladly exchange her mess of caviared pottage.

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If you feel you may suffer by comparison in the eyes of the man who takes you to the cinema, you haven't much to worry about. For shadows are a form of cake—you can't have your cake and eat it too.

And the wife in the audience is bread, and without bread we cannot live.

Also bread can be sweetened by honey and jam and brown sugar.

So sweeten the bread by all means—laughter and tolerance, and a trip to the beauty parlour and an attention to the daily dozen—but don't wish that you could turn into the Hollywood eclair.

THE WORLD GOES BY

By "ULYSSES"

IT appears that the only British newspapers banned in Italy a few weeks ago were those describing how Italians were being thrown out of windows by enraged Basque men and women.

Il Duce, who was making heroic speeches on the valour of his troops, was distinctly upset, it appears.

Continuing my policy of conciliation with the Fascist Grand Council, announced in this column earlier in the week, I wish to deny the offending reports.

First of all, there are obviously no Italians in Spain.

And if you are a Spaniard and you haven't got an Italian in your house, how can you throw him out of your window?

That's got you.

Moreover, having read Mussolini's speeches, we know that Italians are the most beautiful, courageous, gallant and splendid people in the world.

And who would like to throw one of the most beautiful, courageous and gallant people in the world out of a window?

Well, anyway, not out of a very high window.

Towards Human Progress

You may remember, my children, that the Spanish town of Guernica was recently destroyed scientific-

ly from the air, after which the gallant airmen pursued those of the civilian population who had managed to struggle into the fields outside the town, and ripped them to pieces with machine-gun fire. Most people were horrified, with, one fancies some slight trace of reason. But not so others. One who, appropriately enough, is a member of the Savage Club, has written a letter to a London newspaper, part of which runs:

"In these days of logical viewpoints, the destruction of civilians is in order. I personally think it is both salutary and suitable. It gives the common people a sense of responsibility and broadens the outlook of the survivors on world affairs.

"If the nerves of the populace under fire cannot stand it, then surrender relieves the situation at once and the best man wins. After all, a logical step in the direction of human progress."

If you agree with the writer, I wish you would climb up Lion Rock and then jump over.

Forethought

One of the most frenzied appeals I have read for a long time is an advertisement in a London newspaper for bread. It says with superb pessimism:

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ALLEGED TORTURE OF GERMAN

PREMIER'S GOLDEN RULE FOR INDIA

London, To-day.

One of the longest questions ever addressed to a Cabinet Minister was answered by Mr. Neville Chamberlain in the House of Commons yesterday when he replied to Mr. Winston Churchill's searching and detailed enquiries, tabled earlier this week, with the object of obtaining a close definition of the limits within which Parliamentary questions relating to events in India will be answered in future.

The Prime Minister's statement, like the question was of unusual length.

Mr. Chamberlain began by making it clear that until Part Two of the Government of India Act relating to Federation comes into force, no change in the practice of question and answer at Westminster is called for in relation to the operations of the Central Government.

Apart from the well-known and well established convention against interference in the fiscal policy of the Indian Government, the Central Government remained legally subject in respect of all its operations to the direction and control of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.

NO CRITICISM

Dealing with the Provincial situation, he said it was not the same, although there were certain powers reserved to the Governor for certain specific purposes and the effect of the Act was to leave the Governor free in the last resort to decide these matters as he himself thought was required for the due discharge of his responsibility to the Imperial Parliament even if the advice of his Ministers would have led to another decision.

The Prime Minister drew the conclusion "that insofar as the Ministers are responsible to a Provincial Legislature for the Government of a Province, it would be entirely inappropriate if this House were to call in question or to criticise by question and answer their activities. On the other hand, the Act specifically provides that to the extent to which the Governor's special powers are involved and to the extent, accordingly, to which he acts, either without consulting or otherwise than on the advice of his Ministers, he is subject to the direction and control in the first instance by the Governor-General and through him, by the Secretary of State in other words that he is answerable in the last resort to this Parliament."

GUIDING PRINCIPLE

I suggest that the broad general guiding principle which ought to be adopted as to the admissibility of questions on Indian Provincial affairs is that such questions ought not now to be regarded as in order unless it can be shown, either that the action at issue was taken by the Governor without consulting his Ministers or against their advice, or alternatively, that the Governor

"General" Brecco Killed

Paris, To-day.

"Le Soir" reports that the Hungarian terrorist, Paul Brecco, who held the rank of general in the International Brigade, was killed during the recent fighting near Madrid.

The remains were brought to Valencia for burial. —Trans-Ocean.

Increased Earning Power Of British Workers

London, To-day.

Changes in wage rates reported to the Ministry of Labour in the first five months of the year are estimated to have resulted in a net increase of about £367,000 weekly in the fulltime rates of over 2,900,000 workers compared with an increase of £487,050 weekly in the whole of last year.

Assuming fulltime employment, the increases in the past five months have added £18,000,000 to the annual earnings of the workers affected.—British Wireless.

was in possession of powers applicable to the case which, in fact he failed to exercise.

DISCRETION AND RESTRAINT

But I also suggest to the House even this right as so defined ought to be used with discretion and restraint and that His Majesty's Government must themselves exercise careful discretion as to the extent to which it is expedient, in any given case, to supply information about facts and events in an Indian Province.

I hope I am justified in assuming that in every quarter of the House there is a desire the provincial self-government in India should work and work well. I cannot believe this is possible unless we in this House frankly recognise the new distribution of responsibilities."

AUTONOMY IN OPERATION

The Prime Minister having laid down the guiding principle declined to define in detail his attitude to the various categories of enquiries listed in Mr. Churchill's long question except to declare emphatically that provincial autonomy must be deemed to be in operation with the corresponding restriction of questions at Westminster, even if the Ministry in power did not, for the time being, possess the confidence of the majority of legislature.—British Wireless.

GERMAN PRESS DEMANDS ACTION BY GOVERNMENT

Berlin, To-day.

The alleged torture of a German by the Prague police is believed likely to lead to a diplomatic incident between Germany and Czecho-Slovakia.

The affair, according to a German news agency, started with the arrest of a German named Bruno Weigel in Prague last November.

Weigel was released a few weeks ago and now has told his story.

IT IS ALLEGED HE WAS CROSS-EXAMINED BY THE POLICE CONCERNING NAZI ACTIVITIES IN CZECHO-SLOVAKIA. HE WAS STRIPPED AND FORCED TO KNEEL ON CHAINS, AND WAS THEN BEATEN BY FOUR POLICEMEN.

The German press is demanding strong protests be made, "Der Angriff" stating that "this crime must not go unatoned."—Reuter.

BAD FEELING

Berlin, To-day.

A great deal of bad feeling has been aroused here by the publication in German newspapers of an affidavit sworn by Bruno Weigel concerning brutal treatment meted out to him by the Prague police.

Weigel, who was arrested last November, says that after being abused and threatened he was brought before eight officials for interrogation.

BEATEN ON FEET

If his answers failed to give satisfaction he was struck on the soles of his feet with a truncheon.

He was further tortured he alleges, by having an electric charge passed through his swollen feet.

This was repeated the following day and the police finished up by kicking him until two of his ribs were broken.

All this occurred, he says, before he was brought up for trial.

He was later transferred to another prison and was released on May 20.

"VILELY ABUSED"

Judging from comments in the German newspapers, the incident is likely to result in a demand for expiation.

"Der Angriff" asks what the Czech Government intends to do in the way of atonement for allowing a prisoner to be "so vilely abused."

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" demands immediate satisfaction, adding that a mere diplomatic apology will not settle the matter.

The "Berliner Lokalinzeiger" is still more outspoken and says that in the event of the Czech Government refusing satisfaction, Germany will seriously consider giving the Czech police a lesson in the correct behaviour in international intercourse.—Trans-Ocean.

SNOW IN JUNE IN JAPAN

Asahikawa, The Hokkaido, June 12.—For the first time in 39 years, the temperature here to-day fell below freezing point.

At 4.20 o'clock this morning, the thermometer registered -0.5 degrees Centigrade, approximately 31 degrees Fahrenheit. The last time such a temperature was recorded at this time of the year was on June 14, 1898, when the mercury fell to -1.2 degrees Centigrade, or approximately 30 degrees Fahrenheit.

Crops have been ruined in large areas, while snow patches mingling with the green forests presents an unusual spectacle in the nearby mountains.

RUSSO-LATVIAN CONVERSATIONS

Moscow, To-day.

An official communique issued here concerning conversations between the Soviet Foreign Commissioner, M. Maxim Litvinoff, and the Latvian Foreign Minister, M. Munter, says that the talks were a friendly and frank exchange of views.

"Special attention was devoted to the problem of safeguarding peace in Eastern Europe," says the communique.—Trans-Ocean.

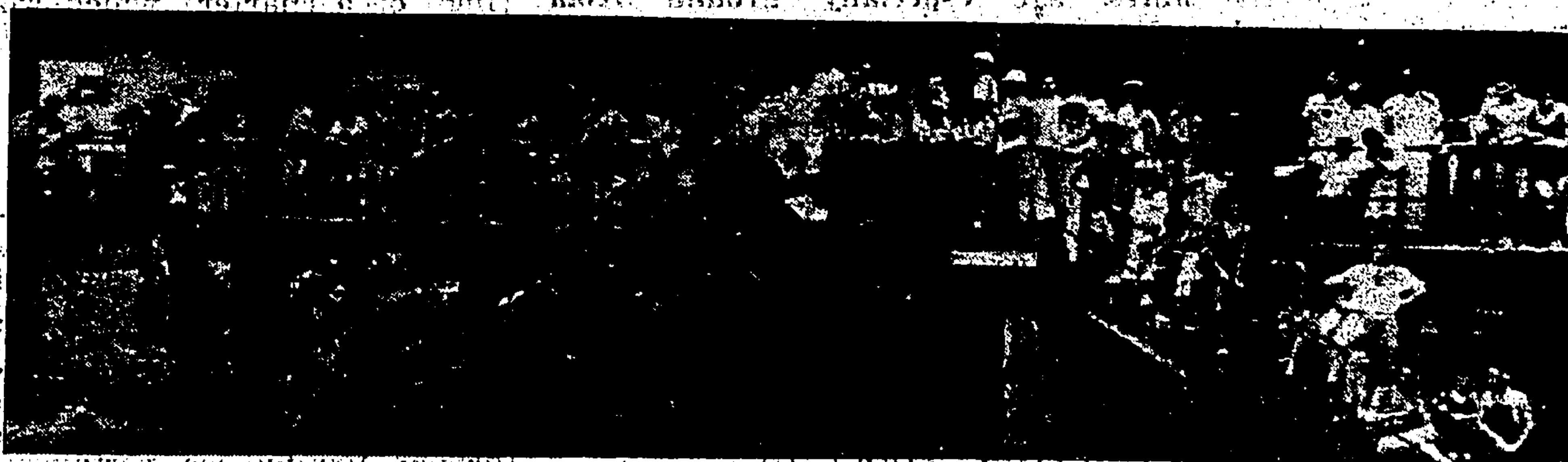
German Boer War Veteran Dies

Berlin, To-day.

An 82-year-old German veteran of the Boer War, Adolf Thiede, died yesterday at Lüneburg, where he carried on as a mason.

Thiede fought on the Boer side and was captured by the British.

He was made an honorary citizen of the Transvaal Republic by the Boer Government in recognition of his services.—Trans-Ocean.



Swimmers at the Chung Shing Benevolent Bathing Club at West Point were keen spectators of the annual Dragon Boat festival race. (Mail photo)



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Hong Kong, Friday, June 18, 1937.

EMPIRE AND THE LEAGUE

The Imperial Conference closed on Tuesday with a very clear expression of Empire unity in all matters of international consequence and an impressive reaffirmation of the Empire's faith in democracy, while registering the view that difference of political creed should be no obstacle to friendly relations between countries. Such a convincing demonstration of solidarity cannot fail to have a bracing effect upon Britain's influence in foreign affairs, a fact which gives additional importance to the valuable suggestion made, that the League of Nations be strengthened through the process of separating the Covenant from the Treaties of Peace.

It is not a new suggestion, not even as far as Britain is concerned. One of Germany's main points of conflict with the League has always been the disturbing effect of the link with Versailles, and recognising this, Mr. Eden offered the suggestion, tentatively, some months ago when the reform of the League was under discussion. On that occasion, too many voices were trying to make themselves heard for the idea to take hold. In its new form, carrying the endorsement of statesmen from all parts of the British Commonwealth of Nations, a real interest has been aroused, and the tone of Germany's response is sufficient warrant for belief in its promise of progress.

As the German Foreign Office spokesman pointed out, however, it cannot be more than one step forward. The Covenant itself needs revision in important details before Germany is likely to commit herself to return to Geneva's councils, not to mention the great problem of the quest for universality, the framing of a charter which would permit the entry of the United States.

Germany And Britain

Mr. Eden seems to have been justified last week in contending that tension in Europe is much less to-day than it was twelve months ago. The tinder-boxes remain, but there is less disposition to blunder over them. Suspicions, too, but less certainty of good reason for distrusts. No special incident has been sprung

upon the world to improve the atmosphere, but rather a succession of apparently trifling ones, which have lent confidence and indicated goodwill. The action of Germany and Italy in announcing return to the non-intervention committee deliberations and the naval patrol scheme without waiting for the assurances demanded of the parties in Spain, may be numbered among such incidents, and it has naturally evoked favourable comment in Britain. The step is a happy augury for the impending visit to London of Baron von Neurath, Germany's Foreign Minister, for he will be going acquainted with the results of recent Italo-German exchanges of views, and with the object, it is predicted, of going more thoroughly into the question of the conclusion of a new Western Pact.

Italy, indeed, seems to be rather worried by the mission, a conclusion reached on the principle, perhaps unsound, that Italian official quarters would not be quite so emphatic in their assertions that no Anglo-German conversations could have the slightest effect upon the Berlin-Rome axis, unless they were secretly afraid that it might.

What must not be overlooked is that there has been a growing spirit in Britain in favour of rapprochement with Germany and that there are influential quarters demanding the establishment of complete friendship, even at the cost of concessions in the colonial sphere. It is particularly interesting to note in this connection that the idea of an international administration for the mandated territories to replace the mandatory system is gaining adherents rapidly in Britain and that the proposal has already been mooted in the House of Commons and House of Lords.

Significance of this must, again, be considered in relation to reliable reports that Germany's colonial aspirations have latterly undergone considerable modification, and that Dr. Schacht, discussing economic co-operation with M. van Zeeland, is reported to have said that Germany would be content with the Cameroons, or some other colony, not necessarily with full sovereign rights. The last phrase is the one of most interest, for it suggests a move towards the international administration idea, which many are convinced can alone offer a final solution of the vexed question of the development of so-called backward territories.

Revivalism In Politics

President Roosevelt's announcement of his intention to retire into temporary seclusion with his Democratic "supporters" in Congress reveals the seriousness of the internal conflict in the Party. The President has a good deal of truth on his side in condemning the Southern Democrats for what is tantamount to challenge of the popular vote, and in claiming possession of the country's mandate for his advanced liberal policy. One of the problems, of course, is that the President is at the White House until 1940, while some of his supporters have to face the electorate next year. It is those upon whom his energies to inspire a plucking-up of courage will mainly be spent.

U. S. STRIKE RIOT SENSATION

Senator Thomas's Charges Against Chicago Police

French State And Crisis

Paris, To-day.

It is understood at the Senate Finance Committee has agreed in principle to grant the Government's demand for special powers to co-act the financial crisis.—*Rev.*

NEW CRUISER MAY BE GIVEN NAME H.M.S. HONG KONG

Mr. Ormsby-Gore On
Pride In Colonies

London, To-day.

"The opening of the Singapore aerodrome is a notable step in the recent steady advance of the Colonial Empire's civil and military aviation."

So stated Mr. Ormsby-Gore, Secretary of State for the Colonies in a speech at the Corona Club dinner in London last night.

Mr. Ormsby Gore declared that the cruisers which are about to be built will be named after individual colonies, "if only that the whole world might know the great significance that Britain attaches to her Colonial Empire."

PERSONAL TOUCH

He added that it was his intention to maintain stronger personal touch between the Colonial Office and the Administrators of the Colonies.

He anticipated visits by the administrative and technical staffs of the Colonial Office to the Colonies, as well as the development of an interchange of personnel between Whitehall and the Dependencies in the middle, as well as the bottom and top of the scale.

As a result of the Imperial Conference all the self-governing members of the Commonwealth recognised the increasing importance of the Colonial Dependencies to the Empire as a whole.

KING'S MESSAGE

The King, in a message replying to a loyal telegram from the Club, expressed to members of the Colonial Service his appreciation of their excellent and devoted work, the results of which were shown so clearly in recent weeks in the touching manifestations of loyalty to the Crown from all parts of the Colonial Empire.—*Reuter.*

General Beck's Visit To France

Paris, To-day.

The Chief of the German General Staff, General Beck, yesterday paid courtesy calls on a number of high ranking French Army officers.—*Trans-Ocean.*

EVENTS EXPOSED BY NEWS REEL

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

A NEWS REEL WILL BE SUBMITTED IN AN ENDEAVOUR TO SHOW THAT THE CHICAGO POLICE SHOWED "EXTREME BRUTALITY" IN A FIGHT WITH 1,500 STRIKERS ON MAY 31, WHEN FOUR STRIKERS WERE KILLED AND 78 INJURED.

The news reel, which is being used by Senator Elbert Thomas (Democrat, Utah) to confirm his allegations and has been subpoenaed by two Senate Committees, is reported to show that men were shot in the back by the police and that at least one woman was clubbed.

The fight in question occurred when 200 police halted 1,500 strikers of the Republican Steel Works who were advancing on the plant, where loyal workers had barricaded themselves in.

CREDIT TO CROWD

Senator Thomas stated: "It was much to the credit of the crowd that it showed such control under great provocation from the police."

"It was a one-sided fight, if it could be called a fight at all." —*Reuter.*

Steel Strike Peace Hopes Rise

Washington, To-day.

Hopes of an early settlement of the steel strike have been raised by the announcement that a Federal Board has been appointed to mediate in the dispute.

The Board will attempt to mediate on all aspects of the dispute.

It is composed of Mr. Charles Taft, son of the former President, Mr. Lloyd Garrison, former Chairman of the National Labour Relations Board, and Mr. Edward McGrady, Assistant Secretary of Labour.—*Reuter.*

KING FAROUK IN PARIS

Luncheon Party Given
By President

Paris, To-day.

A luncheon party was given yesterday by President Albert Lebrun in honour of King Farouk of Egypt and the Queen Mother, who are at present holidaying in France with the King's sisters.

Among those present were the Premier, M. Leon Blum, and the Foreign Minister, M. Yvon Delbos.—*Trans-Ocean.*



Senator Thomas whose grave charges against the Chicago police are said to be endorsed by a news reel of the events in the recent strike riot.

PARENTS SAVED FROM THEMSELVES

Berlin, To-day.

German children in future must not be christened Goering or Goebbels, nor may they bear the name of any leading political personality.

This is announced in a decree issued by Herr Hitler following an earlier announcement by the Minister of the Interior that German parents must not christen their children Hitler.

An application to call a baby Hitlerieke was recently refused by the authorities.—*Reuter.*

Feng Flies To Kuling

Nanking, To-day.

Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, Vice Chairman of the Military Affairs Commission, left Nanking yesterday morning for Kuling to interview Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

EDITOR OF "THE LANCET" PASSES AWAY

London, To-day.

The death has occurred at the age of 77 of Sir Squire Sprigge, Editor of "The Lancet."

The late Sir Squire Sprigge took the degrees of M.A., M.D. and Bachelor of Science at Cambridge, and was a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons.

He joined the staff of "The Lancet," the well-known medical journal, in 1892 and was editor of the publication at the time of his death.

He was Chairman of the Society of Authors from 1910 to 1913, and had many books on medicine to his credit.—*Reuter.*

WHAMPOA PORT

Foreign Capital To Aid
Development

Canton, To-day.

A semi-official report states that the Chinese Government will probably invite foreign capital in to assist in the development of Whampoa Port.

It is said that Mr. T. V. Soong's visit to Canton is partially concerned with this matter.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

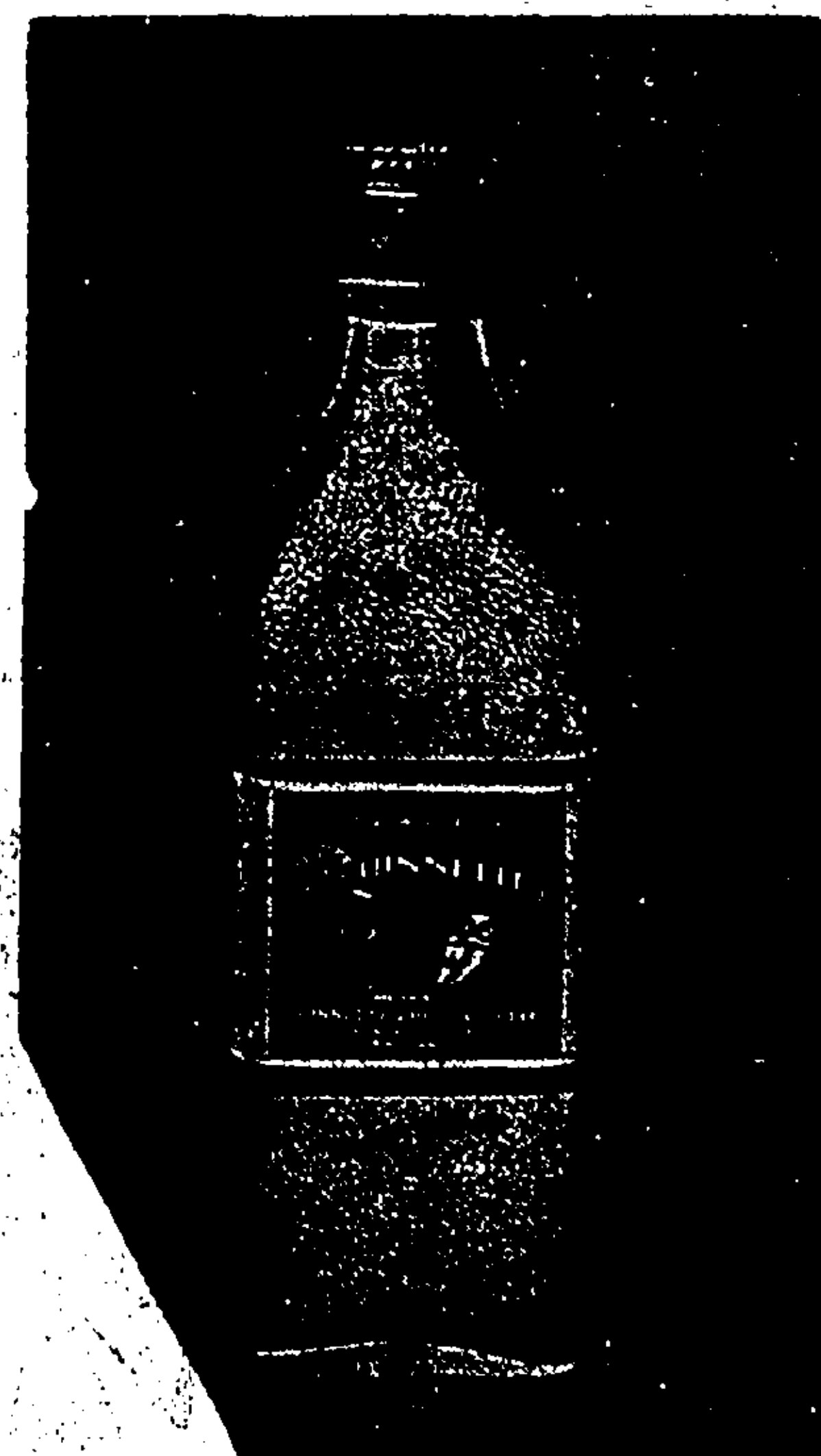
It is learned that Marshal Feng's visit is connected with affairs in North China.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

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Parents Burn Her Paper



An article by a Unitarian minister, intended as guidance for young people in sex relations, led to the suppression of the first edition of an Epworth League paper of which Viola Cifaldo (above) is editor-in-chief. Published in her home town, Newton, Mass., the paper that caused all the criticism is called the "Circuit Beacon".



Frank McHugh furnishes much of the hilarious laughter that is evoked by "Stage Struck," the new First National song hit coming to the King's Theatre as next change. Here the genial comedian is shown wearing a grin that is not part of the show. Perhaps the two ladies with him may be the reason.

BRITAIN TO DISCUS

Mixed London View Of Purposes Of Neurath Visit

London, To-day.

The question of withdrawal of all foreign volunteers from Spain will be among the questions to be discussed by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, and the German Foreign Minister, Baron von Neurath, when the latter visits London.

This is according to the diplomatic correspondent of the "Morning Post," who, however, does not expect any immediate or unexpected developments to arise from the conversations between the two statesmen.

The correspondent comments on some of the recommendations made by the Imperial Conference, such as the divorce of the League Covenant from the Peace Treaties.

This particular recommendation, he says, can be interpreted as having been drawn up in order to earn Germany's particular approbation.

COLONIAL ISSUE

The diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Mail," on the other hand, expects that the colonial problem will play a part in the impending discussions.

He adds that during the Imperial Conference various Dominions statesmen informed their English colleagues that the Dominions were prepared to take Germany's colonial desires into consideration on condition that the German Government was willing to co-operate in a general settlement of European affairs.

A similar assertion is made by the "Daily Express," which, how-

ever, adds that the British Government will content itself with emphasising the redistribution of mandates as exclusively a matter for the League Nations.

WESTERN PACT

Commenting on the visit, the "Evening Standard" points out that it is entirely in keeping with the decisions arrived at by the Imperial Conference, one of which stated that the difference in form of government should not constitute an obstacle to friendly relations between nations.

"Baron von Neurath" writes the "Evening Star," will find British statesmen willing to negotiate conclusion of a Western Pact, provided it constitutes a further step in the direction of general European peace.

AT CHEQUERS

Meanwhile, Baron von Neurath's visit is the main topic of conversation in political circles.

It is reliably reported that the German Foreign Minister will remain in London for two or three days, during which time he will confer with Mr. Eden, as well as with the Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

It is possible, says one source, that Baron von Neurath will stay the week-end at Chequers as Mr. Chamberlain's guest.

A definite programme has not been announced, it being emphasised that a general exchange of opinions is planned and that all possible questions concerning Britain and Germany will be discussed. —Trans-Ocean.



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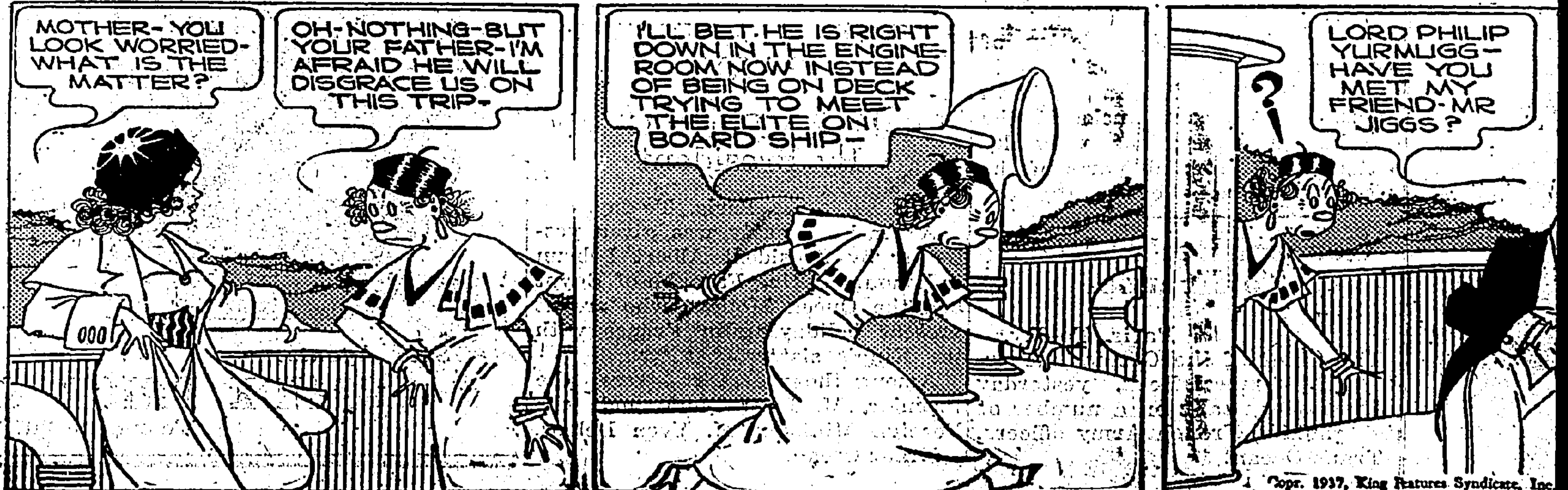
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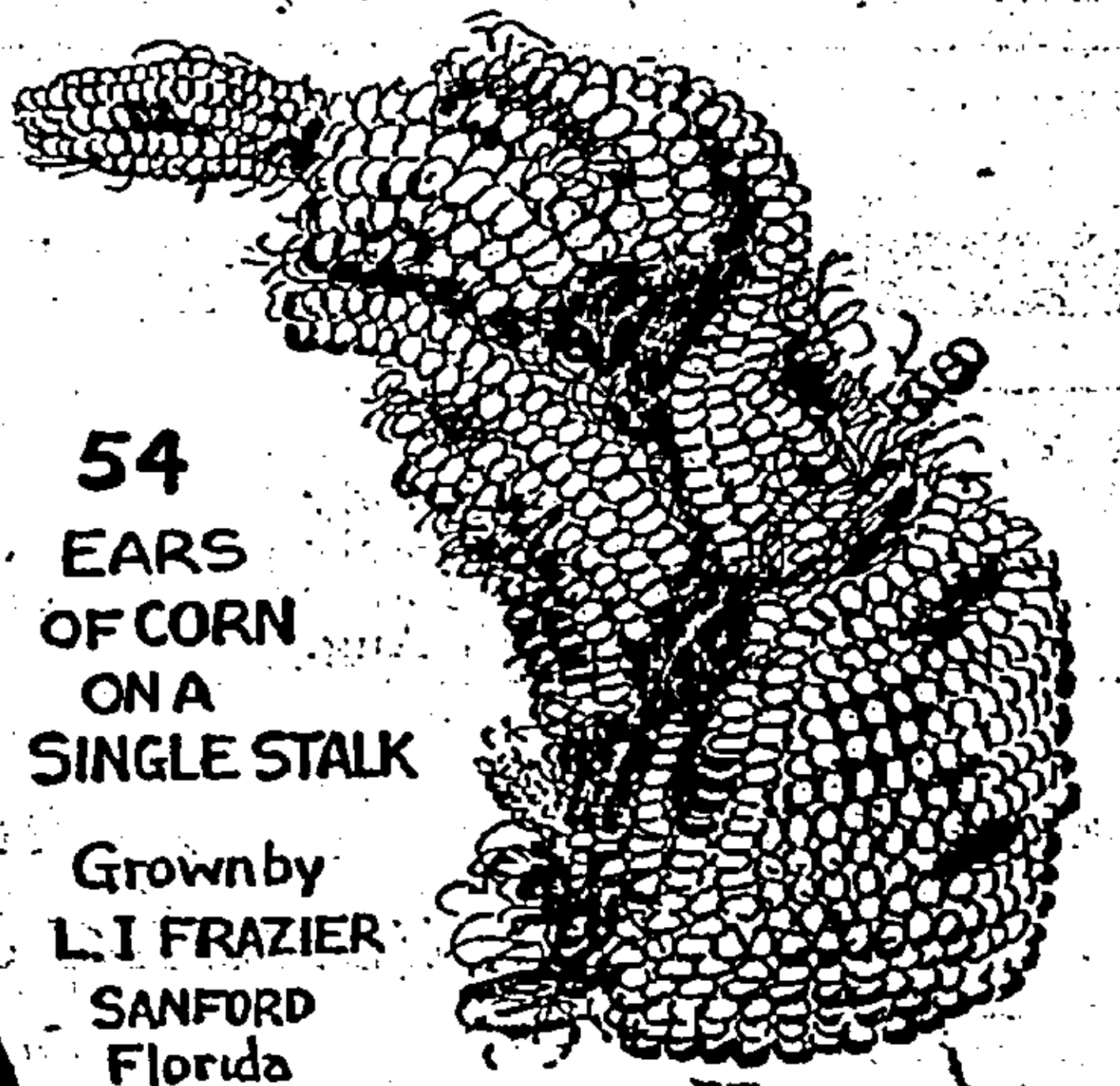
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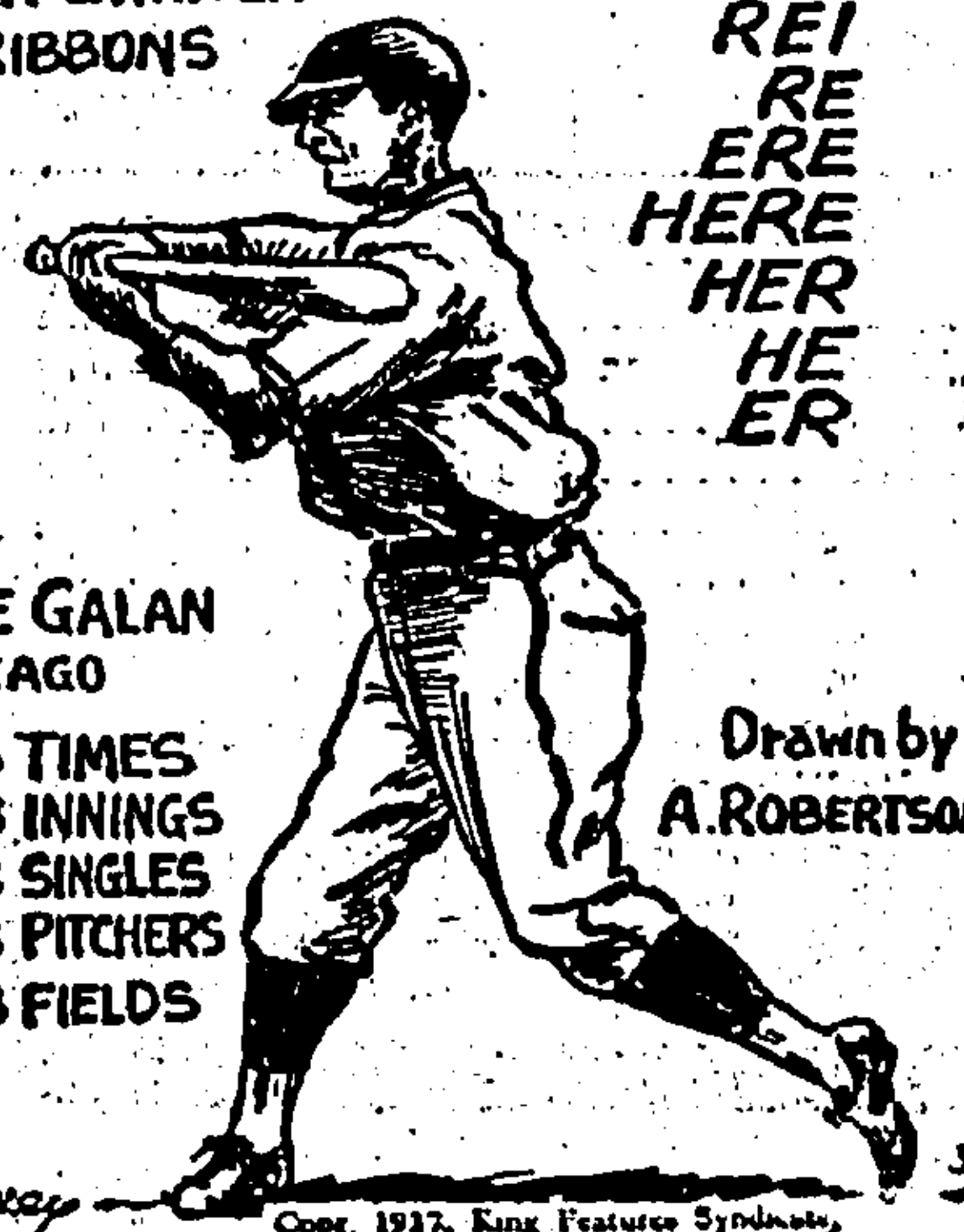
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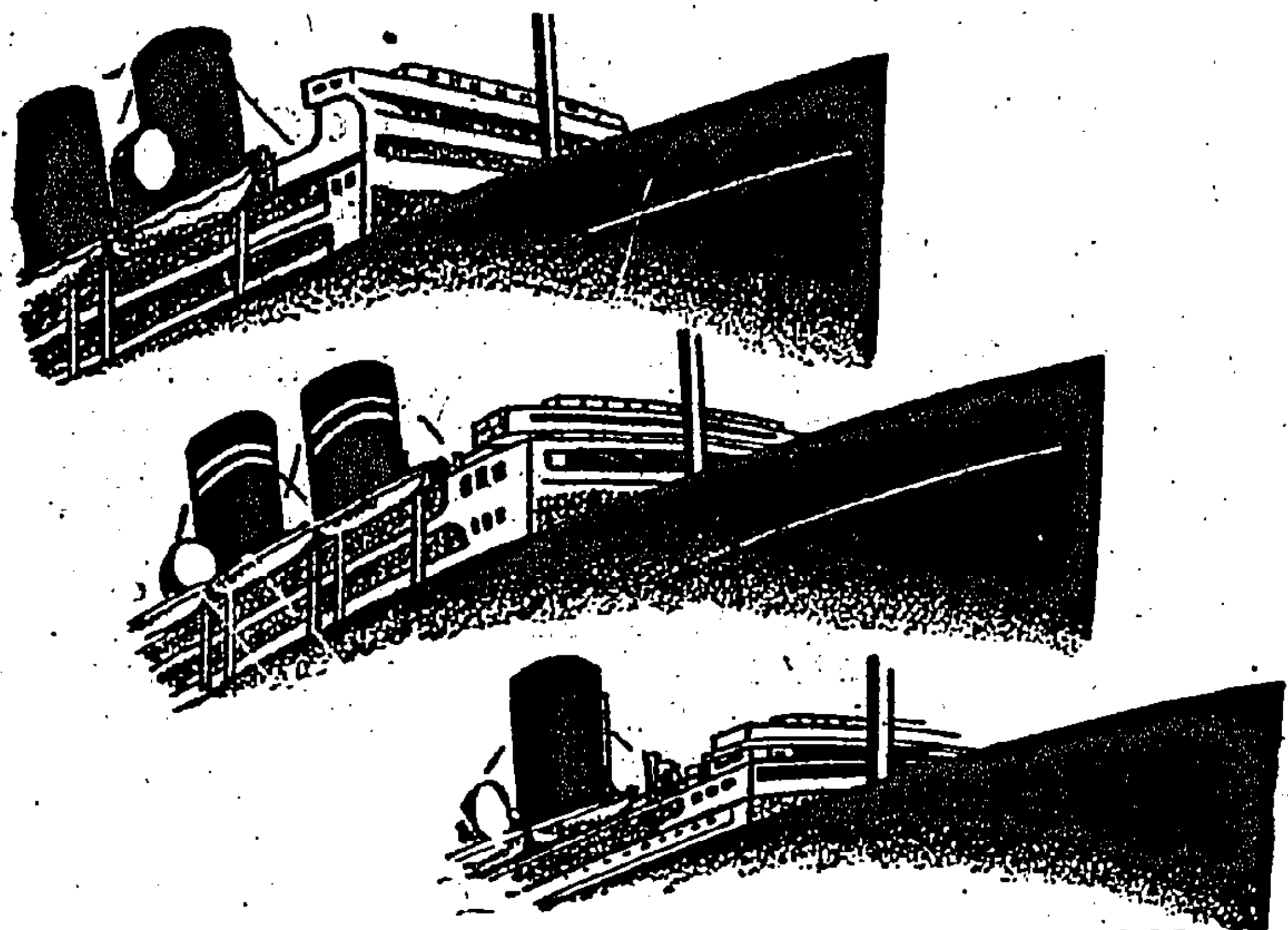
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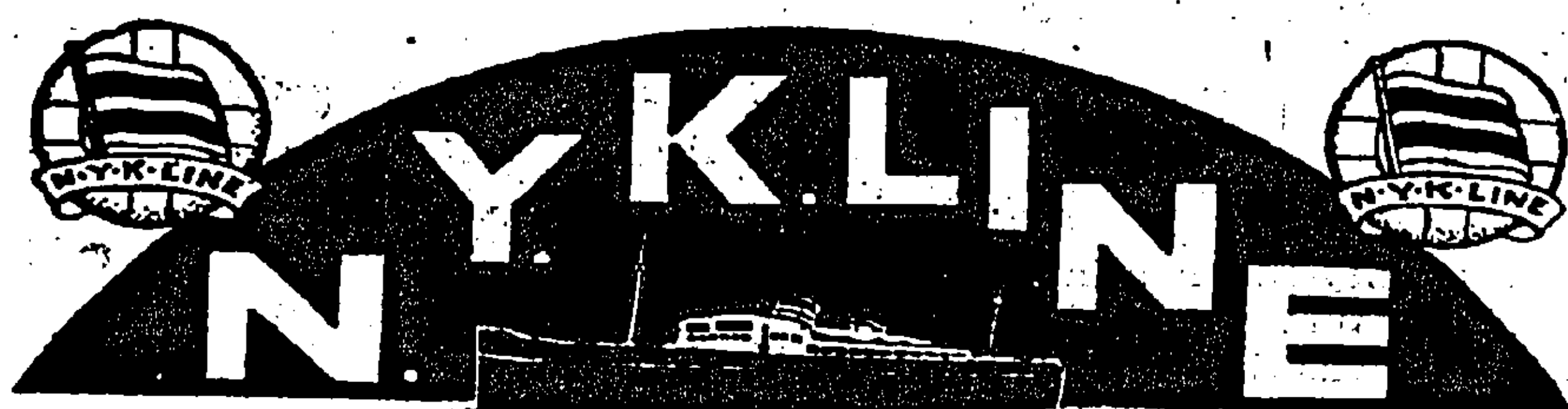
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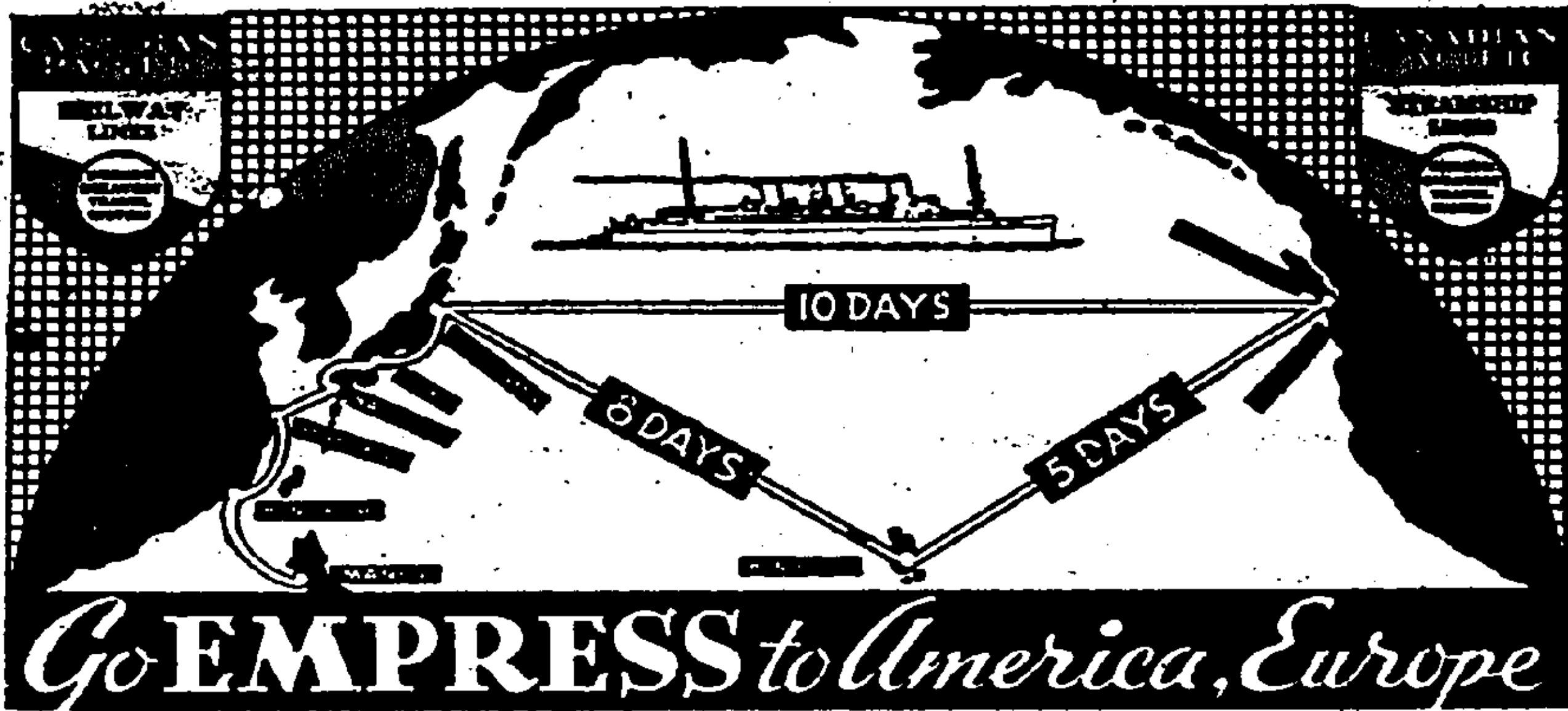
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WAYLOO BUSINESS IMPROVES

Fall In Turnover Checked

The twenty-ninth annual general meeting of Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co., Ltd., was held at Winchester House, London, E. C. last month.

Mr. Mence Wilkinson (chairman and managing director) presided, and, in the course of his address, said: During the year which ended on February 28 last, trade has been substantially better than it was during the preceding year, and the fall in the turnover, brought about by conditions which were quite beyond our control, seems to have been definitely checked, and fair percentages of advances have been made. The total trade for the year was approximately nine per cent. better than the previous year.

For the first two months of the current financial year (March and April), every centre of the company's business shows still further improvement.

Trade at the Eastern branches is better by 19 per cent., and our branches in the Argentine are getting a liberal share of the improved prosperity in that country. For the months of March and April, sales have advanced by no less than 25 per cent.

Stock-in-trade shows an increase of just over £54,000. All branches are well supplied with goods suitable to the trade they do, and sufficient for the expected increase in demand. I might add that a substantial proportion of the stock on hand has been bought at lower prices than are available to-day, and depreciation has been provided to meet unexpected contingencies.

Proposed Reconstruction

In my speech to you a year ago, I referred to a scheme for the reconstruction of the capital of the company with a view to dealing with the accumulated dividends on the preference shares.

As the largest individual holder of the company's ordinary shares, I, personally, am anxious that this should be put before shareholders as early as possible, and I have prepared, as a basis for discussion, the outline of an arrangement which I think would be acceptable to all the shareholders. My colleagues, and the company's auditors are, however, of opinion that we should not make public the details of a reconstruction scheme until the figures for the present year are completed. I mention this now in order to assure shareholders that their claims have not been lost sight of and to assure them that we shall give the subject as early attention as possible. The report was unanimously accepted.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co., have received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

	Buyers:
Spot	32½ Unchanged
Jan./March	32½ Down ½
July/Sept.	32½ Down ½
Oct./Dec.	32½ Down ½
Market:	Quietly Optimistic.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" (from Manila) is due here from Manila at 8 a.m. on June 23 and will berth at Kowloon Wharf. She will leave here for Shanghai on June 25.

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H. K. Lands \$35½ b.

H. K. Realities \$6 b.

Cements \$15.10 b.

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H. K. Tramways \$14½ b.

Peak Trams (Old) \$4½ b.

Peak Trams (New) \$1½ b.

Star Ferries \$86 b.

Yaumati Ferries \$25½ b.

China Lights (Old) \$14 b., \$14.10/-

China Lights (New) \$13.85 b.

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DUTCH GOLD RESTRICTIONS

Removed After Nine Months

Amsterdam, To-day.

The restrictions on the export of gold from the Netherlands were removed yesterday, and the metal can now be shipped abroad in any quantities.

This is revealed in an announcement made by the Netherlands Bank, which says that the Finance Ministry has given permission for the step.

Export of gold from the Netherlands was prohibited on September 26 last year, the day on which devaluation of the guilder occurred.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL DOLLAR UP!

London Silver Prices

The demand rate of the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2-3/4.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 19-13/16 and "forward" at 19-13/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.9375 and the New York on London cross-rate at £—U.S.\$4.93-13/16.

It was stated in an Admiralty announcement that the search in the North Sea for the trawler Amethyst had failed.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE**Market Reported To Be Oversold**

White, Weld and Co., in their report to S. E. Levy and Co. on yesterday's New York Stock Exchange operations, state:—While we continue to advise traders to defer purchases of rails at the present levels, we would avoid a pessimistic generalisation for 1937, based on the recent company reports. There is continued evidence of underlying strength in the business picture, with no signs yet of any abnormal decline in activity. The market is thin and is temporarily oversold. All this combined to make the announcement that Secretary of Labour Frances Perkins had created a steel mediation board the signal for rally, which may carry further. The latest development offers the possibility of an introduction of a more reasonable attitude on both sides of the steel dispute. There is no reason yet, however, to reach for stocks in the absence of volume and confirmation that to-day's advance is to be sustained. Business done:—1,260,000 shares.

Crude oil production during the week ending June 12 totalled 3,516,000 barrels, against 3,538,000 barrels the previous week.

Electricity production during the same period, according to the Edison Electric Institute, amounted to 2,214,000,000 k.w.h., an increase of 13.8 per cent. over the corresponding period of last year.

SHANGHAI RUBBER SHARES

	16.637	17.637
Anglo Javas	14.30	14.30
Butes	4.75	4.85
Consolidated	4.75	4.80
Java Consolidated	1.17	2.15
Kroeweeks	1.05	1.05
Rubber Trusts	3.35	3.35
Klebangs	Nominal	Nominal
Sua Manggis	1.65	1.65
Tanah Merahs	2.30	2.27
Tebongs	1.00	1.02

Ottawa, Canada.—Imports of tea by Canada in the fiscal year ended March totalled 40,620,374 lbs. valued at \$9,348,409. This compares with 37,148,787 lbs. valued at \$8,153,748 in the preceding fiscal year.

LOCAL TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS**Official Weekly Return**

In the course of last week, there were altogether 50 traffic accidents in the Colony, as the result of which 25 persons were injured.

Of the persons injured, 14 were pedestrians, who were either walking or running across the road and were struck by vehicles.

Four tramcar passengers and one bus passenger were injured while alighting from moving vehicles.

A bicycle rider was injured as the result of a collision between two vehicles. One tricycle rider was injured when his vehicle skidded and fell into a nullah. One motor cycle pillion rider was injured through falling from the machine when rounding a corner.

Three lorry passengers were injured through falling from a motor lorry when rounding a bend.

Of the 50 accidents, 18 were collisions between vehicles; 18 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; and 14 accidents were due to other causes.

Vehicles.	Number.
Private motor car	21
Motor lorry	16
Public motor car	7
Motor bus	6
Motor cycle	2
Tramcar	7
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Because of the influenza epidemic, Cardinal MacRory dispensed Roman Catholics in Armagh from fasting during Lent except on Ash Wednesday and the weekdays following Passion Sunday.

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WOMAN WINS ASCOT GOLD CUP

SIR ABE BAILEY'S SUCCESSES

BOOKMAKERS SATISFIED

London, To-day.

The third day of the Royal Ascot Meeting opened in overcast weather, the sun making an occasional appearance, during one of which their Majesties the King and Queen drove down the course. Backers had generally a good day, and were given a flying start when Lord Astor's Rhole's Scholar easily won the Ribblesdale Stakes, being 11 to 10 favourite.

Then Lady Ziawernher, who is the daughter of the Grand Duke Michael, of Russia, and a cousin of the late Tsar, won the Ascot Gold Cup, the premier race of the meeting with Precipitation, a 2 to 1 favourite.

The last woman to win the Ascot Gold Cup was the world famous actress Lily Langtry, with Merman, in 1900.

Then Diplomat pulled another trick out of its bag and repeated Wednesday's easy win, by passing the post first in the Granville Stakes, starting as 7 to 4 favourite.

SIR ABE BAILEY'S GOOD DAY

Favourites continued to win when Sir Abe Bailey's Dan Bulger, the winner of the Cambridgeshire, starting at 2 to 1, beat Daytona by a short head in the New Stakes, but bookmakers triumphed when Sir Abe Bailey's Ramtapa, starting at 100 to 6, beat his stable companion Caerloptic, backed at 13 to 2, by a



short head with the first and second favourites unplaced. As Sir Abe Bailey owned Cecil, which ran second in the Gold Cup Race, he had a good day.

The 10 to 1 outsiders Mr. Arthur Cox's Flat of Truce and Sir Percy Lorraine's Spot Barred dead-heated in the Waterford Stakes, and bookmakers were delighted when H.H. the Aga Khan secured his third win on successive days as Phoez Shah, starting at 10 to 1, won the Cork and Orrery Stakes.—Reuter.

ESSEX TROUNCE CAMBRIDGE

FINE BOWLING BY STEPHENSON

London, To-day.

Essex scored a smashing victory over Cambridge University in a match which concluded yesterday, winning by an innings and 33 runs, at Brentwood.

The County had first lease of the wicket and with the aid of a century by O'Connor, amassed a total of 346.

Cambridge were always fighting for runs against the bowling of J. W. A. Stephenson, the brilliant Essex fast-bowler, and were sent back for a meagre 112.

Following on, the 'Varsity fared a little better, Tindall contributing 75 to enable 201 to be reached.

At Brentwood, Essex beat Cambridge University by an innings and 33 runs. Essex—346 (O'Connor 111). Cambridge—112 (Stephenson 8 for 46) and 201 (Tindall 75).

PROBLEM MUST BE SOLVED

CLUBS TO BE ASKED FOR OPINION

THE question whether hockey tournaments should be played for trophies was discussed at a meeting of the Hong Kong Hockey Association at St. Andrew's Church Hall, yesterday. Mr. A. A. Dand, presided and was supported by Sub-Inspector Tyler (Hon. Secretary) and Mr. A. M. Xavier (Hon. Treasurer), Capt. G. W. P. Kimm (Chairman of the Mamak Hockey Tournament and Vice-President of the Association).

Among those present were Lieut. H. G. Bowerman (R.N.), Lieut. T. B. H. Otway (Army), R. Sommer (H.K.H.C.), A. E. P. Guest (Radio S.C.), G. Clarke (Hon. Secretary, Mamak Hockey forths), Capt. Gwydyr-Jones (Fusiliers), R. Henderson (Y.M.C.A.), Tournament), E. Mackenzie (R.A.O.C.), Lieut. MacLagan (Sea-forths), A. F. Austen (Signals), T. Cullinan (Police), W. K. Ross (Police).

The meeting considered a letter by the Vice-Consul in Macao stating that Macao was presenting a challenge cup for a game to be played on May 28 of each year, with Hong Kong to foster friendship between the British and Portuguese communities.

The meeting was reminded by the chairman that the Association was not allowed, according to the rules of the English Hockey Association, to play for trophies. This question had been dealt with before and a letter was written asking permission for trophies to be introduced in local games. The reply was that the Home Board did not encourage the introduction of trophies.

Explaining why the Army could complete for trophies Capt. Kimm said an Army hockey team, besides

ASCOT TOTALISATOR'S THIRD RECORD

London, To-day.—The Ascot totalisator established its third consecutive record yesterday when the day's takings £138,253.—Reuter.



playing many officers, was well disciplined, and the game would not be degenerated for the sake of trophies.

After much acrimonious discussion it was decided that a letter be sent to affiliated Clubs to see if they wished to play Club hockey (not to be confused with tournament hockey) or were prepared to play Tournament hockey with trophies, and, if permission could be obtained from the Home Board, whether they wished to play hockey with trophies.

Among the other items on the agenda which came up for discussion was a letter from the C.B.A. which was held in abeyance pending further investigations and a present to Mr. F. A. Kemp, by the Hon. Secretary, without the sanction of the Council. Yesterday's meeting sanctioned the cost of the gift, although Mr. Xavier proposed that in future before the Hon. Secretary took it upon himself to take any such action, he should first consult members of the Council, as the Association was not on such a firm financial basis as to guarantee parting gifts to members of the Council.

The question of hockey lectures at the Police Training School, which were not sanctioned by the Hockey Umpires Board, was also discussed and it was decided that the Board should carry on with these lectures.

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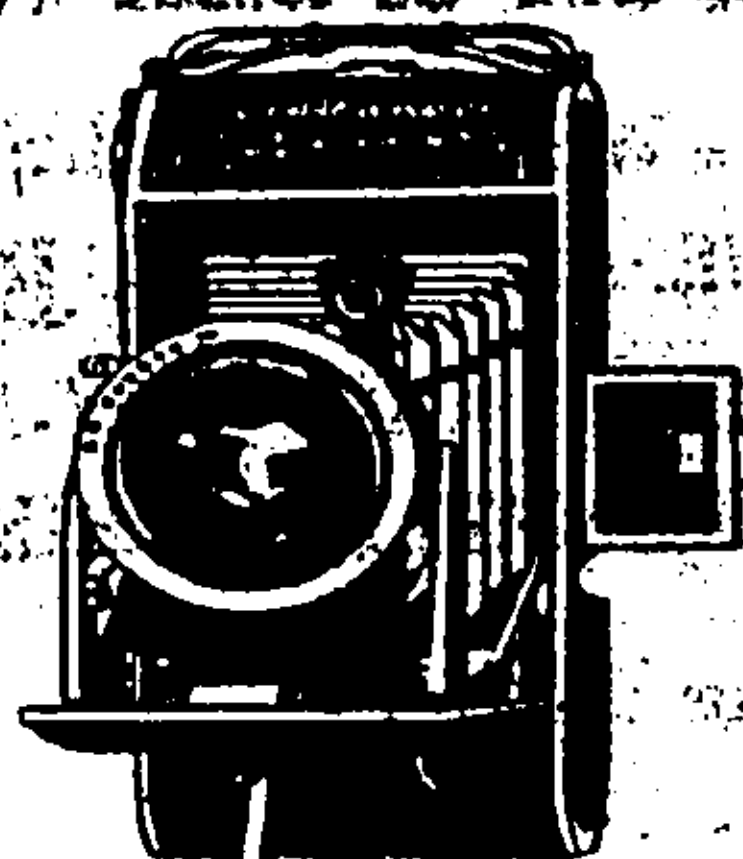
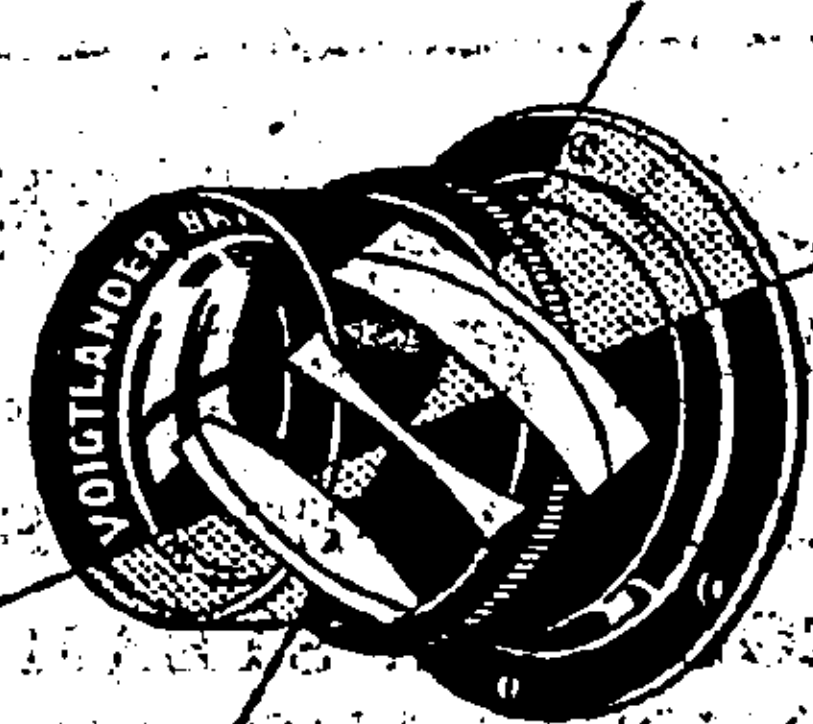
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RECREIO RINK'S LAPSE IN JUNIOR LEAGUE

DRAKE'S FOUR IN LIMELIGHT

(By "SKIP")

WITH a thrilling victory for Craigengower in their Senior League match last Saturday, and the exciting Open Pairs game in which Stoneham and Hosking overcame Landolt and Bradbury last Tuesday, the Kowloon Dock green has captured all the spot light in the bowls world this past week. No particular credit is due for predicting in my notes last week that Craigengower would have to fight every inch of the way! That they did so successfully is to their credit, as the Dockites had a pretty strong team out.

THE VISITORS HAD TWO "RESERVES" PLAYING, YET THIS SUPPOSEDLY WEAK RINK, SKIPPED BY OMAR, ONLY LOST BY TWO. THE CHAMPIONS LED NEARLY ALL THE WAY THROUGH WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE FIRST THREE HEADS, AND IT WAS ONLY A BRILLIANT RECOVERY BY CULLEN, WHO HAD A SEVEN AT THE 20TH, WHICH RESULTED IN SO CLOSE A FINISH. THIS BIG COUNT GAVE THE DOCKITES A LEAD OF THREE, BUT FRASER PUT UP A VERY HEAVY ONE WHEN ASKED FOR A FIRM DRAW AND IN DOING SO TOOK OUT HIS SECOND WOOD TO LEAVE OMAR WITH FIVE.

Basa secured a singleton on the last end and McKelvie, last to finish, had to score four to win. By a good effort the rink scored a couple, but the opposing skip, Bradbury, took good care that there was not another four being chalked up against him. It was an exciting finish with far too much talking from the spectators on the banks, who are by rule forbidden to comment on the game.

The McKelvie and Bradbury duel was an epic one, and "Jock" preserved his unbeaten skip's record by four shots. Kempton was again in great form for the winners, with his opposite number, Coates, also showing up well. Both skips were in good fettle in this rink, but Cullen appeared to be a little worried by the occasion (except when he secured the big count!) whilst Fraser did not seem to be in harmony with his rink or — vice versa — in spite of beating such a redoubtable opponent as Omar.

The most surprising result in the League was the defeat of Civil Service by the K.C.C. True, the winners were up on one rink only, but what a win Jimmy Jack had against Grimmit! The left hander started off with a four, followed by seven more shots in three heads to establish a lead of eleven. Whether this demoralised the opposition, or not, one can only surmise, but the fact remains that the home rink scored on only six heads, on one of which they scored a five and the biggest count of the game! Grimmit himself was right off — "almost unusual thing," and his obvious lethargy spread to the whole rink.

The K.C.C. four seized their chances with both hands and ran up a total of 31 shots to win by 19. Frank Goodwin was opposed to Randle and although he lost by five, he played a brilliant game and was always saying, as he had to do, with both his opposite numbers and Deakin, at three, on the top of their form.

George Lee was the weakest of Goodwin's four and played his only bad game of the season. Phillips

had the better of Teddy Fincher by seven shots and had much to thank Charlie Strange for in achieving that result, as the latter was again in tip top form and is one of the most improved bowlers of the year.

BAD CROPPER

The H.K.F.C. came a bad cropper at King's Park, but it was all due to one rink! Rodger had the better of Dick Alves by one shot, after keeping his nose in front all the way, while Alec Macfarlane was only two down to Luz who had a newly constituted rink. But Hyde Lay! Nothing went right from the very start and his team were quite out-bowled. Here again a rot set in as the skip was right off his game.

C. F. Remedios, in his rightful position at lead, was brilliant, whilst Marques was again in good form, as were the two Silvas.

At Austin Road, the Police team were no match for the Kowloon Bowling Green Club who had useful wins on two rinks to counter-balance Sheriff's loss against Carey, who is newly promoted from the second team. The star turn of the match was Claude Hosking, who was in brilliant form against Mair. In a way, it was a patchy game! Walkers on his own green, was not up to his usual standard, and left much for his followers to accomplish. The real battle began when Orem proved so deadly, there is no other word for it, that Hosking was called upon to save, time and again. And he responded splendidly to win by 16 shots! Guy, for whom Tetley played well, had the better of Post after leading all the way.

I.R.C.—RECREIO DRAW

In the Second Division, I think the best result was the tie between

SKIP'S FORECAST

FIRST DIVISION		
K.C.C.	(58) C.C.C.	(67)
C.S.C.C.	(59) C. de R.	(62)
H.K.F.C.	(—) K.B.G.C.	(—)
P.R.C.	(61) K.D.R.C.	(49)
SECOND DIVISION		
C.C.C.	(—) K.C.C.	(—)
K.B.G.C.	(64) H.K.F.C.	(56)
P.R.C.	(62) C. de R.	(48)
*I.R.C.	(67) T.R.C.	(47)
THIRD DIVISION		
K.F.C.	(—) C.S.C.C.	(—)
*C.C.C.	(70) R.H.K.Y.C.	(57)
K.T.R.C.	(—) H.K.E.R.C.	(—)
C. de R.	(—) H.K.F.C.	(—)

(* In First Division last year)

(* In Second Division last year)
Figures in brackets denote the result of the corresponding game last year.

the I.R.C. and Club de Recreio on the latter's green. The home team won on two rinks, A. A. Remedios beating Dallah by 15, and J. J. Basto going to the top of the Skip's table by his victory over Adal, though it was by only a couple of shots. But a strange result was seen on the other rink, where L. A. Gutierrez, former singles champion of the Colony, could do nothing against Minu. His rink, incredibly, did not score until the 12th end, when they scored a single only to remain in a rut until the 18th end, at which stage they were down 25-1! Then nine shots in three heads placed them into double figures, the visitors clinching matters with a brace on the very last head.

The Taikoo Club triumphed over the Kowloon Cricketers, as was expected, with Keown taking the chief honours by his victory over Labrum. It was a close game until tea time, when a rot set in amongst the home team who failed to score thereafter.

VISITING TEAMS FAVOURED

K.B.G.C. TASK AT THE VALLEY

I have nominated all the visiting teams to win in the First Division of the Lawn Bowls League to-morrow, and think that at least three of my forecast are certainties. The Champions should have no difficulty in beating the K.C.C. at Cox's Road, and I think that the same remark applies to Club de Recreio at the Civil Service Green.

The Kowloon Dock team also look set for a win on the Police Green, which is being played on for the first time this season.

My only doubt, and not a very serious one, is whether the K.B.G.C. can overcome the Footballers at Happy Valley. Although I expect one or two strengthening changes in the latter, I believe the visitors can just about pull it off.

In the Second Division, it also appears easy to select the winners. I tip Club de Recreio to beat the Police at the Valley, as the latter have been strengthened by making judicious changes.

The Civil Service Third Division team travel to Kowloon to play the Footballers and should collect both points, but I think theirs will be the only away win in this division of the League.

and "Jack" Hirst's famous war cry "Waste one Labby" was heard with increasing regularity!

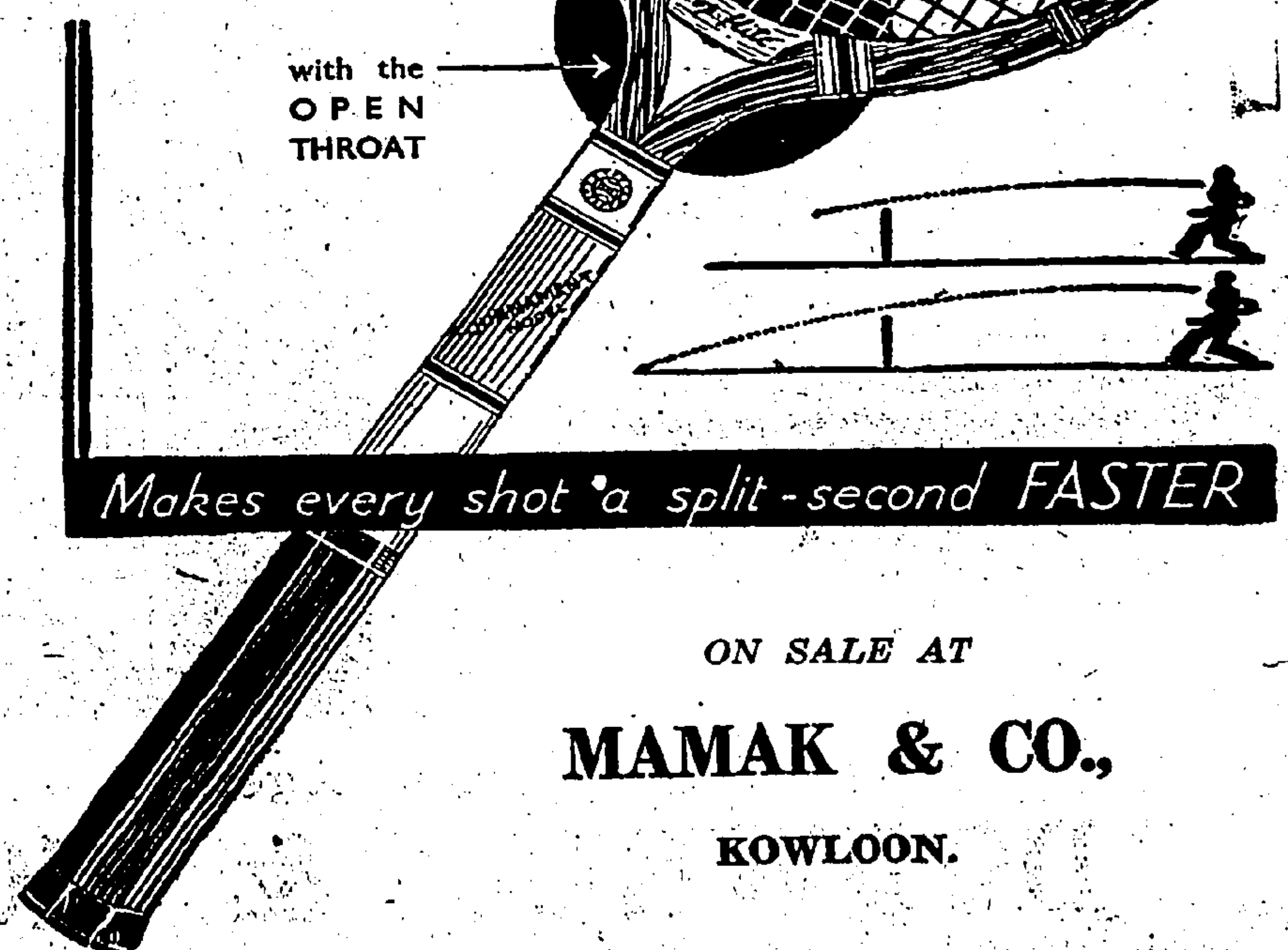
DAND IMPROVING

L. Jack and Chalmers were neck and neck all the way and the single which the latter scored on the last head made a worthy tie of it. Dand played a useful game, as lead for the home skip, and he showed increasingly encouraging form.

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Lawn Bowls League Teams For To-morrow

FIRST DIVISION

The following are the First Division Lawn Bowl teams for to-morrow:—

K.C.C.

W. Mulcahy, J. Wm. Brown, E. Kern and J. M. Jack (Skip).
H. Overy, J. Smith, A. E. Silkstone and E. C. Fincher (Skip).
Geo. Lee, T. Madar, R. Craig and F. Goodwin (Skip).

C.S.C.C.

W. Cullips, H. E. Strange, C. Strange and R. P. Phillips (Skip).
P. E. Knight, J. Gellatley, J. Deakin and S. Randle (Skip).
S. Eccleshall, L. R. Whant, A. W. Grimmit and J. F. McGowan (Skip).

H.K.F.C.

R. P. Shaw, G. Duncan, E. Tuck and A. Hyde-Lay (Skip).
E. S. Carter, J. Russell, N. J. Bebbington and A. Macfarlane (Skip).
J. S. Howell, W. Gill, F. H. W. Haynes and J. Rodger (Skip).

K.B.G.C.

A. S. Russell, W. Russell, E. W. Lines and G. H. Sherrieff (Skip).

W. L. Walker, S. A. Bright, J. C. Gill and C. B. Hosking (Skip).
H. F. Stoneham, J. L. Tetley, T. Armstrong and L. Guy (Skip).

Recreio

J. A. Luz, F. X. Soares, J. E. Noronha and R. F. Luz (Skip).
C. F. Remedios, C. E. Marques, C. G. Silva and F. X. Silva (Skip).
L. J. Silva, L. F. Xavier, P. V. V. Ribeiro and H. A. Alves (Skip).

P.R.C.

W. McLeod, N. B. Fraser, J. R. McWalter and A. E. Carey (Skip).
L. Glendinning, J. Fender, J. Shepherd and W. Mair (Skip).
F. Nolan, W. Dall, G. Perkins and E. G. Post (Skip).

SECOND DIVISION

The following are the Second Division Lawn Bowls teams for to-morrow:—

H.K.F.C.

F. P. Anslow, E. L. Strange, A. Webster and E. J. Edwards (Skip).
A. W. Hayward, L. E. Lammert, D. W. Phillips and A. Brooksbank (Skip).
W. Kershaw, V. Walker, C. B. Robertson and Dr. J. A. R. Selby (Skip).

K.B.G.C.

E. V. Searle, F. Morley, K. C. Hamilton and J. G. Meyer (Skip).
H. L. Lockhart, A. E. E. Jeffries, D. W. Waterton and W. S. Drake (Skip).
A. K. Taylor, S. M. White, R. O. Read and J. S. Logan (Skip).

P.R.C.

T. H. Daly, H. Brown, J. S. Riddell and F. E. E. Booker (Skip).
J. Forrest, S. Farlow, A. J. Johnson and G. C. Moss (Skip).
C. Gough, T. Tallon, F. Kelly and W. Glendinning (Skip).

Recreio

F. A. Machado, A. V. Barros, J. V. Ribeiro and J. J. Basto (Skip).
D. C. Alves, Dr. A. P. Guterres, C. A. Lopes and C. H. Basto (Skip).
F. A. Xavier, P. A. Yvanovich, E. M. Remedios and A. A. Remedios (Skip).

I.R.C.

S. M. Rumjahn, A. M. Wahab, A. O. Madar and A. R. Dallah (Skip).
J. Hoosen, A. Bakar, A. K. Minu and A. R. Minu (Skip).
A. H. Rumjahn, A. H. Madar, M. R. Abbas and M. Y. Adal (Skip).

THIRD DIVISION

The following are the Third Division Lawn Bowls teams for to-morrow:—

T.D.R.C.

W. Melrose, R. Wright, W. Cunningham and L. M. Kepown (Skip).
C. H. Summers, D. McCollgan, J. C. Polson and J. C. Chalmers (Skip).
T. Grimes, F. Hillon, J. A. Watson and T. F. Stainton (Skip).

H.K.F.C.

E. Casey, J. Barnes, R. A. Trengove and J. H. Gelling (Skip).
B. A. Mansell, H. G. Wallington, G. E. Stephens and J. S. Beach (Skip).
J. Dobson, Dr. G. I. Shaw, D. Fitches and P. Morgan (Skip).

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C. B. HOSKING'S BRILLIANT BOWLS

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Stainton was ahead of Nish all the way to run-out victor by 11 shots. The H. K. F. C. seconds did the Indians a good turn by having the better of their near neighbours, Craigengower, who lost by the minimum count. The home team had two rinks up, Webster beating Way, (a good achievement) and Selby having the upper hand with Ward, thanks to a final spurt which produced half a dozen shots in the last three heads.

Pearse made a great recovery after tea and from three down came along to win by eight shots against Brooksbank. Webster, for whom Duncan shone, scored 17 before Way's team troubled the marker, but the visitors stuck gamely to their task and were only three in arrears at the finish.

BRILLIANCE OF DRAKE

The Junior champions had the advantage over the Police, chiefly through the brilliance of Drake and his men, who had the biggest win of the day in scoring 39 to 6 against Riddell, all of whose team were shots all in singles.

Three fours and a couple of fives gave an indication of the home rink's all round superiority. Logan made his debut as skip, but had little support except from White his second man, and went down to Moss, erstwhile First Division skip, by 14 shots. In a low-scoring game Shepherd, just back from leave, lost to Meyer by a single scored on the last roll-up! There were two shots in the measure when the skips went down to bowl. The visitor, with his second wood, put in another one to be taped whilst his opposite turned one over with his last wood to add to the interest. Four to be measured and it might easily have been two to either side, but the home team were given it by a fraction!

K.F.C.'S BIG DEFEAT

In the Third Division the most surprising result was perhaps the big defeat of the Kowloon Football Club by the other Soccerites. It was mainly due to Morgan's four, who outplayed Bob Lapsley's men to win by 21. The Kowloon Tong Club put up a great fight against Club de Recreio. Roza Pereira's 17 shots win against the hitherto unbeaten Houghton was nullified by a similar victory for A. H. Basto with Botelho as his opponent, and it was Rosario's win over Simpson which provided the deciding factor.

The Yacht Club with a poor team out came a cropper against the Civil Servants at North Point, only K. S. Robertson making anything of a fight to tie with Cook's quartette. Kirman played a very fine game as lead to Westlake who overcame Maughan's rink by 18 shots.

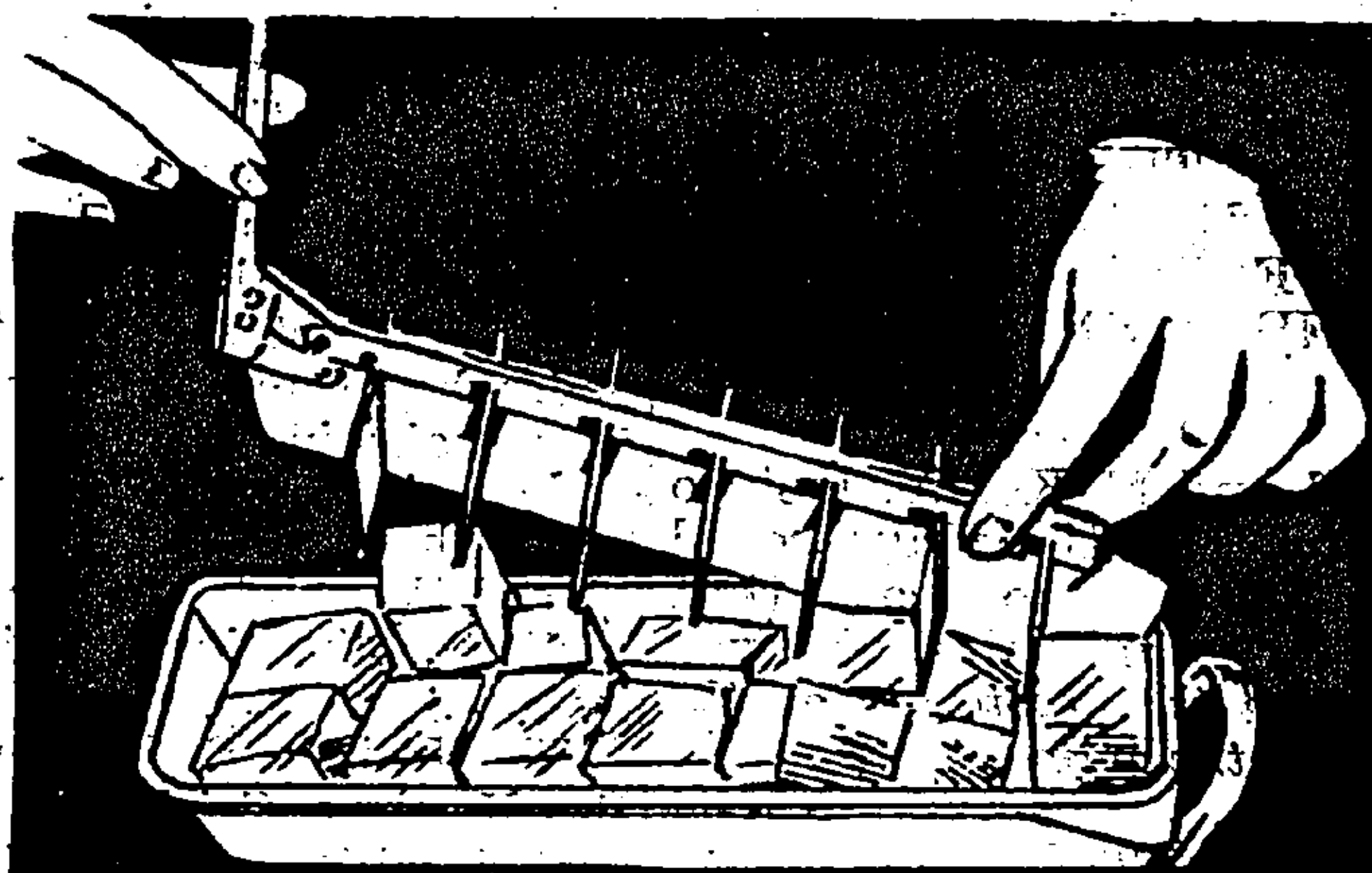
The Craigengower third team, like both the others, had a very tight game and just got home by three shots against the Electricians who, however, won on two of the rinks, Sloan's debut victory being a very good one.

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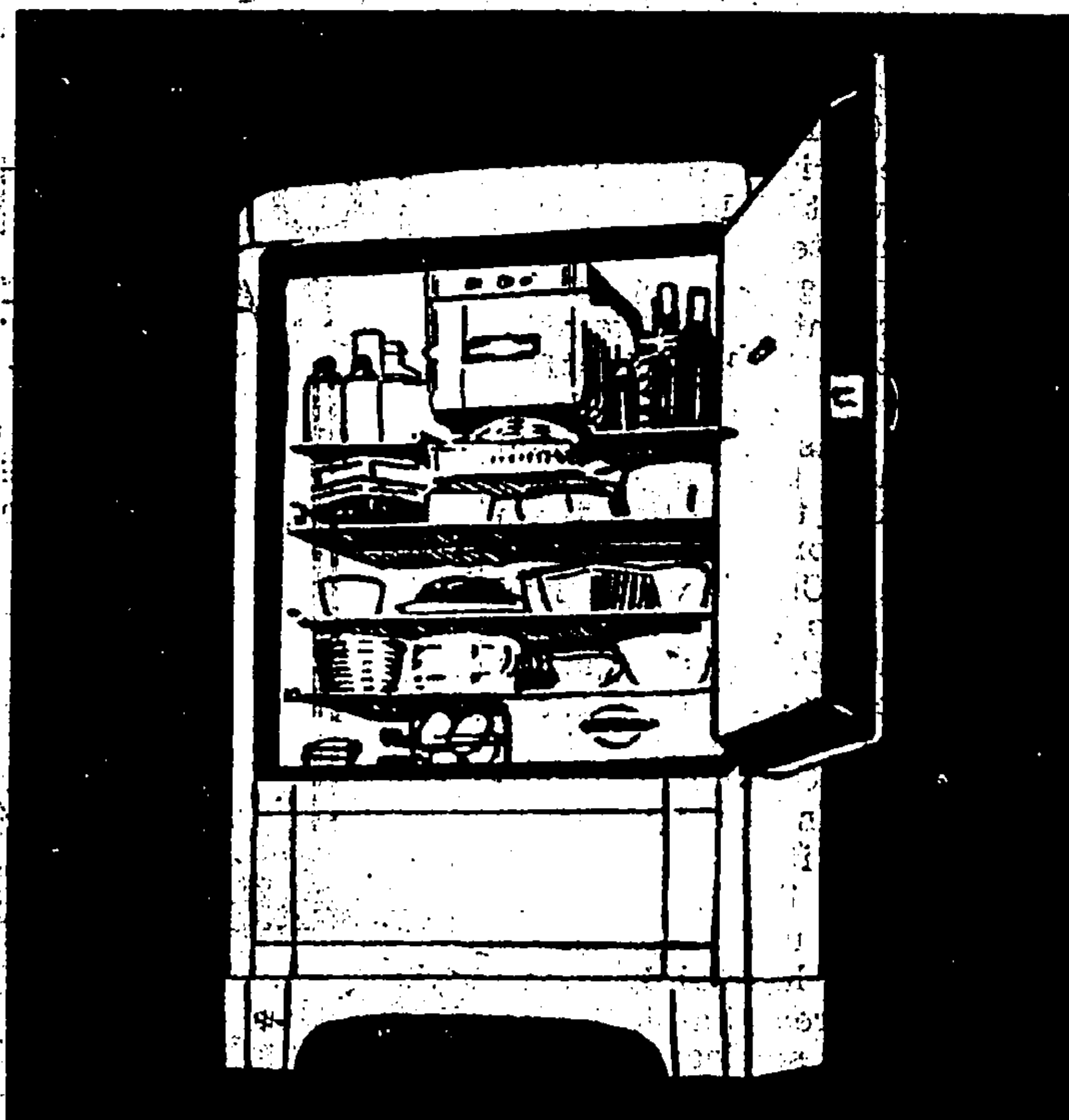
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MANY SKIPS LOSE 100 PER CENT

SEVERAL skips in the three divisions of the Lawn Bowls League lost their 100 per cent records last week, although J. McKelvie, of Kowloon Docks, is the only First Division skip who remains unbeaten.

In the Second Division, J. J. Basto and A. A. Remedios, both of Recreio are so far unbeaten. The latter is 41 shots up in four games, while Basto is 16 shots up in five matches.

C. Roza-Pereira, of Recreio, leads the Third Division table with a 100 per cent record, being 28 shots up, while M. N. Rakusen, of Civil Service, is next with 44 shots up.

The following is the complete table of all skips in the Three Divisions this season:—

FIRST DIVISION SKIP'S TABLE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Up	Dn	Pts
J. McKelvie (K.D.R.C.)	4	4	0	0	105	64	41	0	8
F. X. M. Silva (Recreio)	5	4	1	0	125	83	42	0	8
H. A. Alves (Recreio)	5	4	1	0	112	85	27	0	8
R. F. Luz (Recreio)	5	3	2	1	107	93	14	0	7
U. M. Omar (C.C.C.)	4	3	1	0	105	69	36	0	6
R. Basa (C.C.C.)	4	3	1	0	92	80	12	0	6
C. B. Hosking (K.B.G.C.)	5	3	2	0	105	82	23	0	6
F. Cullen (K.D.R.C.)	5	3	2	0	122	103	19	0	6
A. Hyde Lay (H.K.F.C.)	5	3	2	0	90	108	0	18	6
J. W. Jack (K.C.C.)	5	2	2	1	98	94	4	0	5
T. Armstrong (K.B.G.C.)	3	2	1	0	60	58	2	0	4
L. Guy (K.B.G.C.)	3	2	1	0	62	62	0	0	4
B. W. Bradbury (C.C.C.)	4	2	2	0	82	77	5	0	4
A. Macfarlane (H.K.F.C.)	5	2	3	0	96	98	0	2	4
E. G. Post (P.R.C.)	5	1	2	2	99	103	0	4	4
F. Goodwin (K.C.C.)	5	2	3	0	95	100	0	5	4
J. Rodger (H.K.F.C.)	5	2	3	0	93	117	0	24	4
R. P. Phillips (C.S.C.C.)	2	1	0	1	45	38	7	0	3
J. C. Brown (K.D.R.C.)	3	1	1	1	56	58	0	2	3
W. Mair (P.R.C.)	5	1	3	1	87	119	0	32	3
S. Randle (K.B.G.C.)	1	1	0	0	31	16	15	0	2
A. E. Carey (P.R.C.)	1	1	0	0	25	21	4	0	2
S. Randle (C.S.C.C.)	2	1	0	1	40	35	5	0	2
J. Fraser (K.D.R.C.)	2	1	1	0	39	44	0	5	2
J. Hollidge (C.S.C.C.)	3	0	2	1	49	64	0	15	1
G. Moss (P.R.C.)	4	0	3	1	62	102	0	40	1
G. Cooper (K.D.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	16	18	0	2	0
E. C. Fincher (K.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	17	24	0	7	0
J. Deakin (C.S.C.C.)	2	0	2	0	37	48	0	11	0
A. W. Grimmitt (C.S.C.C.)	3	0	3	0	47	73	0	26	0
G. H. Sherrieff (K.B.G.C.)	3	0	3	0	55	82	0	27	0
A. E. Silkstone (K.C.C.)	4	0	4	0	60	96	0	36	0
Totals	114	52	52	10	2314	2314	256	256	114

SECOND DIVISION SKIP'S TABLE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Up	Dn	Pts
J. J. Basto (Recreio)	5	5	0	0	110	94	16	0	10
W. S. Drake (K.B.G.C.)	5	4	1	0	122	75	47	0	8
W. K. Way (C.C.C.)	5	4	1	0	122	79	43	0	8
M. Y. Adal (I.R.C.)	5	4	1	0	118	82	36	0	8
H. V. Pearse (C.C.C.)	5	4	1	0	117	84	33	0	8
A. R. Minu (I.R.C.)	5	4	1	0	105	75	30	0	8
A. A. Remedios (Recreio)	3	3	0	0	74	33	41	0	6
A. E. Carey (P.R.C.)	4	3	1	0	77	64	13	0	6
J. A. R. Selby (H.K.F.C.)	4	3	1	0	81	73	8	0	6
R. M. Keown (T.D.R.C.)	5	3	2	0	116	83	33	0	6
J. G. Meyer (K.B.G.C.)	5	3	2	0	103	99	4	0	6
A. R. Dallah (I.R.C.)	5	3	2	0	99	98	1	0	6
L. Jack (K.C.C.)	5	2	2	1	100	95	5	0	5
C. H. Basto (Recreio)	4	2	2	0	86	70	16	0	4
T. F. Stainton (T.D.R.C.)	5	2	3	0	101	95	6	0	4
J. Chalmers (T.D.R.C.)	3	1	1	1	51	60	0	9	3
G. Moss (P.R.C.)	1	1	0	0	23	9	14	0	2
A. M. Omar (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	28	15	13	0	2
A. Webster (H.K.F.C.)	1	1	0	0	22	19	3	0	2
E. M. Remedios (Recreio)	2	1	1	0	42	35	7	0	2
J. S. Riddell (P.R.C.)	3	1	2	0	41	77	0	36	2
H. Nish (K.C.C.)	4	1	3	0	81	85	0	4	2
W. Ward (C.C.C.)	4	1	3	0	69	88	0	19	2
A. Brooksbank (H.K.F.C.)	5	1	4	0	73	111	0	38	2
F. H. W. Haynes (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	0	1	25	25	0	0	1
D. W. Waterton (K.B.G.C.)	3	0	2	1	53	70	0	17	1
J. Shepherd (P.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	13	14	0	1	0
J. Orem (P.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	19	22	0	3	0
L. Guy (K.B.G.C.)	1	0	1	0	18	24	0	6	0
J. A. Watson (T.D.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	14	22	0	8	0
C. B. Robertson (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	1	0	16	26	0	10	0
J. C. Polson (T.D.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	13	24	0	11	0
N. B. Fraser (P.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	15	26	0	11	0
S. Logan (P.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	13	27	0	14	0
J. S. Logan (K.B.G.C.)	1	0	1	0	9	23	0	14	0
L. A. Gutierrez (Recreio)	1	0	1	0	10	27	0	17	0
J. Smith (K.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	12	30	0	18	0
D. Phillips (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	1	0	11	33	0	22	0

LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE TEAMS FOR TO-MORROW

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C.S.C.C.	R. Hall (Skip).
M. E. Purvis, C. Champelovier, W. R. Hillyer and M. N. Rakusen (Skip).	Reserves:—T. White, L. Bones, W. Mackie.
E. Kirmon, G. F. Bentley, J. Cook and H. Westlake (Skip).	H.K.R.Y.C.
H. R. Major, J. R. Pengelly, L. A. Collyer and E. W. Simmonds (Skip).	G. S. Archbutt, D. J. Fraser, G. E. Costello and B. E. Maughan (Skip).
Kowloon Tong	R. H. Wild, F. H. King, A. W. Brown and K. S. Robertson (Skip).
C. Mose, J. N. Wong, W. J. Howard and A. H. Basto (Skip).	A. Murdoch, A. C. Young, A. Stevenson and E. S. Abraham (Skip).
J. L. Stephens, H. Y. Hsu, A. Spary and B. Basto (Skip).	Recreio
H. Gittins, T. K. Lim, Dr. Asger and S. J. Houghton (Skip).	A. M. Xavier, C. E. Xavier, M. A. Carvalho and H. A. de B. Botelho (Skip).
K.F.C.	C. M. Silva, O. P. Remedios, G. M. P. Remedios and C. Roza-Pereira (Skip).
A. Lapsley, E. Webb, Dr. J. T. Smalley and J. Gibson (Skip).	A. F. Noronha, E. L. Barros, C. M. V. White, J. P. White, J. Lindsay and S. Alves and J. M. S. Rosario (Skip).
T. Fergusson, W. Knox, J. Watson and R. Lapsley (Skip).	

	P	W	L	D	E	A	Up	Dn	Pts
W. Gill (H.K.F.C.)	2	0	2	0	34	44	0	10	0
W. W. Hirst (K.C.C.)	2	0	2	0	26	58	0	32	0
V. C. Labrum (K.C.C.)	3	0	3	0	41	74	0	33	0
W. Glendinning (P.R.C.)	3	0	3	0	35	71	0	36	0
Totals	120	58	58	4	2338	2338	369	369	120

THIRD DIVISION SKIP'S TABLE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Up	Dn	Pts
C. Roza-Pereira (Recreio)	5	5	0	0	107	79	28	0	10
J. M. S. Rozario (Recreio)	5	4	0	1	112	92	20	0	9
M. N. Rakusen (C.S.C.C.)	4	4	0	0	93	49	44	0	8
S. J. Houghton (K.T.)	5	4	1	0	98	100	0	2	8
A. H. Basto (K.T.)	5	2	0	3	113	91	22	0	7
K. S. Robertson (H.K.R.Y.C.)	4	2	0	2	96	61	35	0	6
H. Westlake (C.S.C.C.)	4	3	1	0	96	77	19	0	6
B. E. Maughan (H.K.R.Y.C.)	5	3	2	0	104	91	13	0	6
J. Gibson (K.F.C.)	4	2	1	1	72	71	1	0	5
W. Bagley (C.C.C.)	5	2	2	1	109	111	0	2	5
E. J. Edwards (H.K.F.C.)	3	2	1	0	54	43	11	0	4
W. Muskett (H.K.E.R.C.)	4	2	2	0	72	75	0	3	4
W. C. Simpson (K.T.)	5	2	3	0	98	95	3	0	4
H. A. Botelho (Recreio)	5	2	3	0	94	94	0	0	4
R. Lapsley (K.F.C.)	5	2	3	0	84	102	0	18	4
E. Zimmern (C.C.C.)	5	2	3	0	77	117	0	40	4
J. Cook (C.S.C.C.)	2	1	0	1	46	34	12	0	3
J. Sloan (H.K.E.R.C.)	1	1	0	0	25	10	15	0	2
W. J. Gelling (H.K.F.C.)	1	1	0	0	25	18	7	0	2
W. Cullip (C.S.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	14	22	0	8	2
P. Morgan (H.K.F.C.)	2	1	1	0	46	30	16	0	2
G. E. Costello (H.K.R.Y.C.)	2	1	1	0	25	45	0	20	2
A. E. S. Alves (C.C.C.)	3	1	2	0	64	55	9	0	2
J. S. Beach (H.K.F.C.)	4	1	3	0	68	86	0	18	2
R. Hall (K.F.C.)	5	1	4	0	77	115	0	38	2
J. Lumy (H.K.E.R.C.)	2	0	1	1	36	42	0	6	1
S. Deacon (H.K.E.R.C.)	3	0	2	1	47	62	0	15	1
J. H. Gelling (H.K.F.C.)	4	0	3	1	73	83	0	10	1
S. Randle (K.F.C.)	1	0	1	0	20	21	0	1	0
A. Webster (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	1	0	18	20	0	2	0
H. E. Strange (C.S.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	20	23	0	3	0
S. Smith (C.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	16	26	0	10	0
A. A. Lewis (C.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	11	39	0	28	0
E. S. Abraham (H.K.R.Y.C.)	2	0	2	0	35	38	0	3	0
A. Stevenson (H.K.R.Y.C.)	2	0	2	0	39	46	0	7	0
L. de Rome (H.K.E.R.C.)	2	0	2	0	26	47	0	21	0
Totals	114	51	51	12	2210	2210	255	255	114

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TO-NIGHT'S BOXING ATTRACTION

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Boxing fans will be provided with an entertaining programme at the Po Hing Theatre this evening, when seven bouts, including two wrestling events, for the championships of the Colony will be decided.

The two main attractions will be between "Young" Aromin and Fusilier Fisher for the Colony Bantamweight title, and between "Bud" Whelan and Fusilier Owens, for the featherweight championship, lasting 12 and 15 rounds, respectively.

OTHER FIGHTS

Other fights are between Reggie Ewart and A. Gracia (Flyweight, three rounds); Denies Manders v. S. A. Lazar (Flyweight, four rounds); "Iron" Bux, Jr., v. "Little" Bertie (Flyweight, six rounds); "Wild" Benny v. "Bud" Goldin (Bantamweight, four rounds); and "Battling" Rio v. "Bill" Bash'em (Lightweight, six rounds).

A weight-lifting exhibition will



FIVE MATCHES IN "D" DIVISION FOR TO-DAY

Good Game At Sookunpoo

Five matches will be played in the "D" Division of the Tennis League this afternoon, weather permitting.

A good game should be witnessed at Sookunpoo where Club de Recreo, strongest contenders for championship honours, encounter I.R.C.

The following is the program me:—

Army T. C. v South China A. A.
Chinese R. C. v Craigengower C. C.
Police R. C. v Kowloon C. C.
Kowloon Indian T. C. v Central British Association.
Indian R. C. v Club de Recreo.

be given by Mr. Clement Affonye, member of the Sunshine Gymnasium.

CONTRACT BRIDGE AT K.C.C.

Very Enjoyable Tournament

An enjoyable contract bridge tournament was played at the Kowloon Cricket Club on Wednesday evening, 32 players taking part. Owing to the lateness of the hour it was impossible to complete the Round Robin, but altogether 32 hands were played.

E. F. Fincher and H. Kew finished easy winners, being over 5,000 points up, and second came A. Kew and A. J. Kew, who were over 4,000 points to the good.

Dorothy Round Out Of Wightman Cup

London, To-day.

Miss Dorothy Round is unable to represent Great Britain in the Wightman Cup tennis contest against the United States owing to preparations for her forthcoming marriage.—Reuter.

MISS MARBLE'S DEFEAT

SURREY TITLE WON BY MISS JAMES

A big crowd, waiting nearly two hours for the rain to cease, saw Miss Freda James gain a praiseworthy victory over Miss Alice Marble in the final of the Surrey Women's championship at Surbiton. The English girl thoroughly deserved her success. Her tennis was as perfect as possible in the conditions.

More nimble than Miss Marble, her footwork was less handicapped by the slippery turf. And I think she was wiser to wear socks over her shoes rather than spikes. The American champion wore spiked shoes, and they did not prevent her from tumbling several times. She shed them in the second set and played in her socks.

RAMSEY AND McKELVIE WIN PAIRS MATCH

The adjourned open Pairs game between J. V. Ramsey and J. McKelvie and A. Macfarlane and J. Russell was continued yesterday on the Civil Service Cricket Club green, and resulted in a win for the Kowloon Dock pair by 28 shots to 12.

Ramsey and McKelvie were leading by 13 shots to 8 with nine heads to play when the game was abandoned last week. Yesterday McKelvie was in great form and, ably supported by Ramsey, scored a five on the 18th head and a four on the 20th.

Owing to the illness of J. Hollidge, the game between N. B. Fraser and J. S. Riddell and P. E. Knight and Hollidge was not played, and the matter will be brought up at to-night's meeting.



SOUTHEND GOLF TOURNAMENT POSTPONED

Course Flooded By Heavy Rains

London, May 22.

The Southend £1,000 Tournament, the first round of which was postponed on Tuesday owing to rain, was yesterday adjourned until September.

The scores in Thursday's first two rounds, when P. J. Mahon, the young Irishman led with 139, will stand when the competition is resumed, probably on September 11.

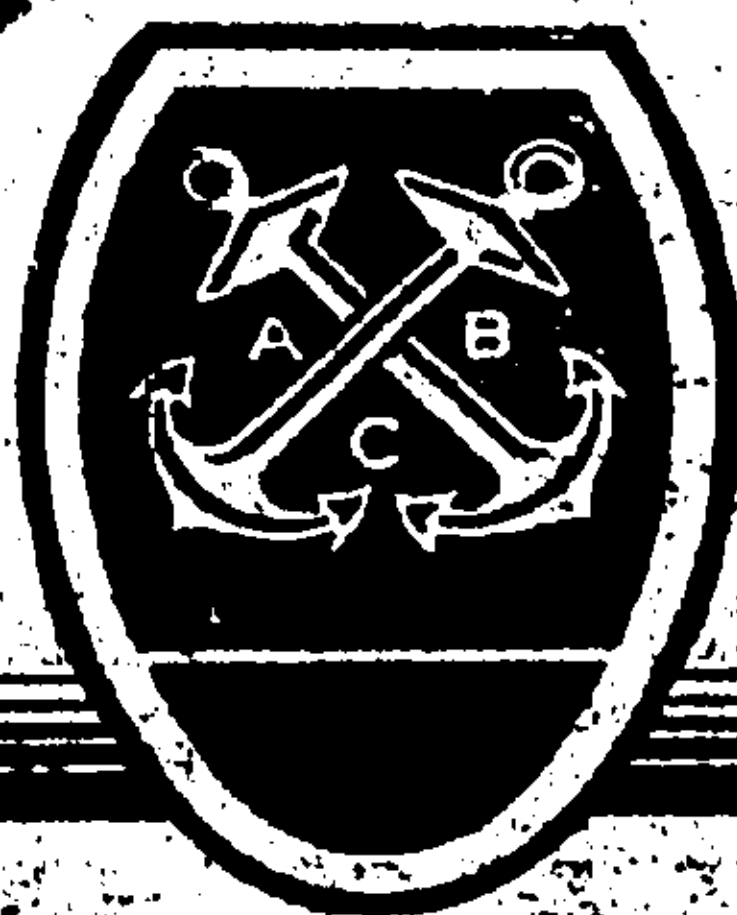
Following heavy rain on Thursday night, the Thorpe Hall course was flooded in places, and on the suggestion of Cmdr. R. C. T. Roe, secretary of the Professional Golfers' Association, and Mr. A. J. Prior, captain of the Thorpe Hall Club, representing the tournament committee, the players agreed to a postponement. The 60 competitors who qualified on Thursday each received £5 towards their expenses.

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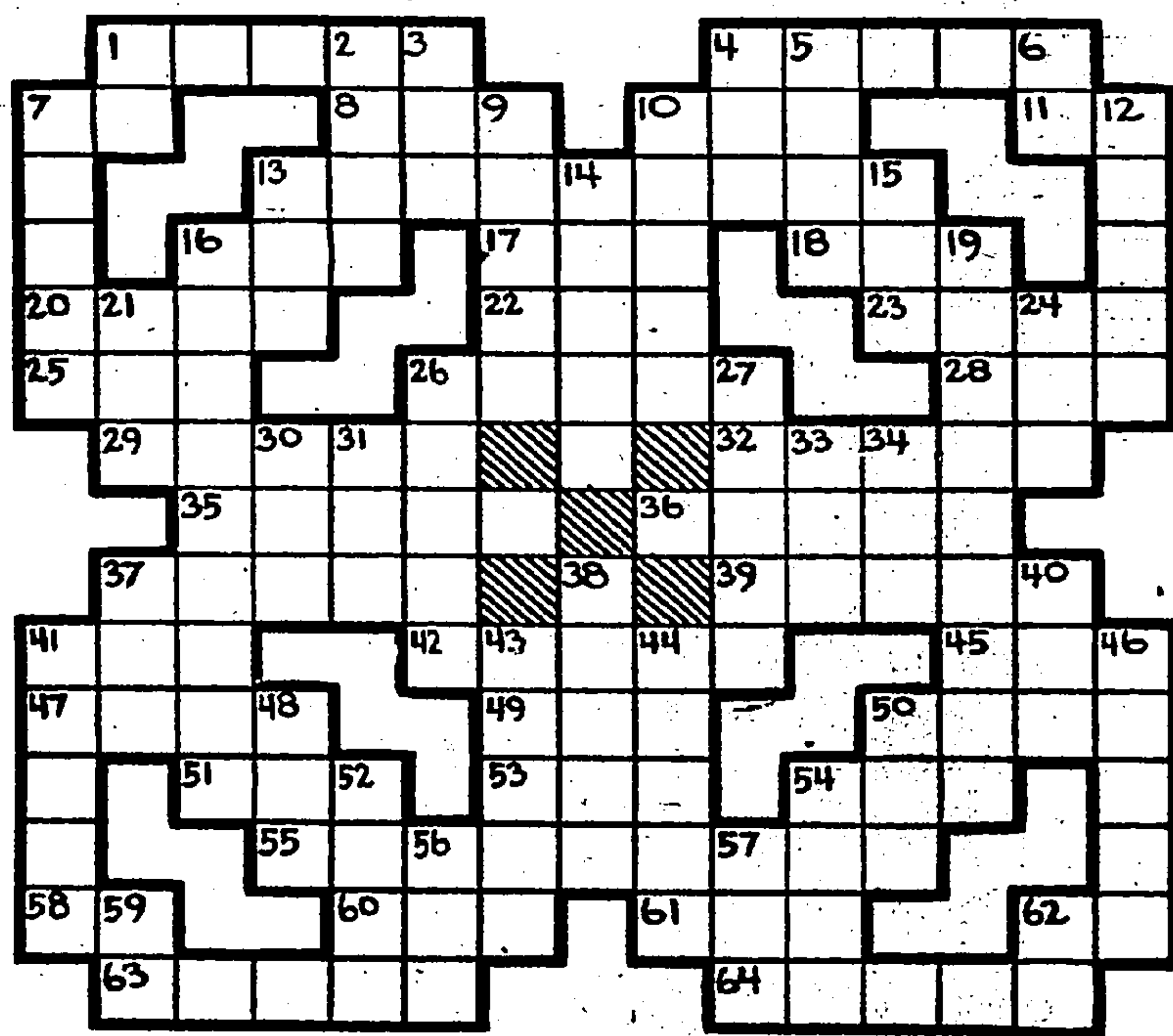
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Defame
- 4-Conclude
- 7-Exist
- 8-Large cask
- 10-A beverage
- 11-Bone (Lat.)
- 13-Splashed with liquid
- 16-Etruscan god
- 17-American poet
- 18-A canine
- 20-Comply
- 22-Entomology (abbr.)
- 23-English street-car
- 25-Very small
- 26-Hope
- 28-A naval title (abbr.)
- 29-Vestige
- 32-Regatta
- 35-Presses
- 36-Prejudiced
- 37-Trap
- 39-Hungarian poet
- 41-Piece of undressed timber
- 42-Incline
- 45-Even (contr.)
- 47-Adherent

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 49-A compass point (abbr.)
- 50-Self
- 51-Besides
- 53-Public vehicle
- 54-A farm animal
- 55-A school term (pl.)
- 58-Type measure
- 60-Nothing
- 61-Station (abbr.)
- 62-Exists
- 63-Discharges
- 64-Around the outside

VERTICAL

- 1-The (Fr.)
- 2-At any time
- 3-Youth
- 4-Sick
- 5-Want
- 6-A land measure (abbr.)
- 7-Beneath
- 8-Small candle
- 10-Assault
- 12-Appears
- 13-To bark at
- 14-Subsidiary

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 15-Speck
- 16-With a leer
- 19-Bigness
- 21-A wager
- 24-Some
- 26-Dogma
- 27-Trivalent
- 30-A constellation
- 31-Prefix. Together
- 33-Part of the head
- 34-A book of the Bible (abbr.)
- 37-The sun
- 38-Roman goddess of love
- 40-Japanese coin
- 41-To pass slowly
- 43-Realist authority
- 44-Bird homes
- 46-Approaches
- 48-Affirmative
- 50-A letter
- 52-Canvas shelter
- 54-Homeless wanderer
- 56-Prefix. Wrong
- 57-Greek letter
- 59-Myself
- 62-Pronoun

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

SWAPS

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- 1 Chesterfield Settee
- 2 Singer Drophead Machine
- 3 Large Cabinet Victrola
- 4 Violin, Case and Stand
- 5 Handel Banjo & Case
- 6 Small Cabinet Victrola
- 7 Table Model Gramophone
- 8 R. C. A. Radio, Gramophone,
- 9 Furnished Doll's House
- 10 Collection Old Coins
- 11 Pair Blue Ginger Jars
- 12 Large Teak Ice Chest
- 13 Coloured China Vases
- 14 Small Writing Desk
- 15 Nest Blackwood Teapots
- 16 Gateleg Dining Table
- 17 Teakwood Sideboard
- 18 Small China Cabinet
- 19 Glass Door Cabinet
- 20 Blackwood Tea Tray & Stand
- 21 16mm. Movie Camera
- 22 Teak Office Table
- 23 Large Office Desk
- 24 Blackwood Arm Chair
- 25 Small Teak Dresser
- 26 Deal Cupboard as new
- 27 Standard size Ice Chest
- 28 Salador Water Filter
- 29 Wardrobe with Mirror
- 30 21-piece China Tea Set
- 31 Ladies' Dresser & Stand
- 32 Mahogany Dresser
- 33 Small Teak Chest Drawers
- 34 Large Roll Top Desk
- 35 Office High Desk
- 36 M/Coil Loud Speaker
- 37 High Tension Units
- 38 G.M.T. Accumulator Bat.
- 39 Old Service Telescope
- 40 Sifam Milliamperes M.
- 41 Pair Glass Candlesticks
- 42 Cut Crystal Fruit Dish
- 43 Electric Table Fan
- 44 Small Child's Dresser
- 45 White Enamel Bathtubs
- 46 Teakwood Bookrack
- 47 Old Style Dresser
- 48 Double Bed Box Spring
- 49 Single Iron-Bedstead
- 50 Double Bed complete
- 51 Child's Play Pen
- 52 Enamelled Chest Drawers
- 53 Large Wall Mirror
- 54 3-fold Bedroom Screen
- 55 Large Tin-lined Linen Box
- 56 Kerosine Heater
- 57 Ditmar Kerosine Lamp
- 58 Imperial Portable Typewriter
- 59 Card Index Cabinet Teak.
- 60 Streamlined Speed Boat.

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HONG KONG CLIPPER'S UNUSUAL TRIP

Flies To Guam To Take Passengers From Clipper In Trouble

The Hong Kong Clipper which arrives in the Colony from Manila and Macao this afternoon, was completing an unusual trip.

She had come here from Guam having gone out from Manila at dawn on Wednesday on a flight to Guam to take up the passengers, mail and freight aboard the Hawaii Clipper and bring them to Manila on schedule.

The trans-Pacific flying boat developed motor trouble after leaving Guam and had to return to the island base after having been two hours in the air. The Hawaii Clipper will undergo a change of motors at Guam which will require several days.

The Hong Kong Clipper, which is used as an auxiliary ship on the Manila-Hong Kong airway, landed the passengers, mail and express from Guam yesterday afternoon.

Then this morning she left for Macao and Hong Kong. To-morrow she will leave Manila for Guam.

At Guam, the Hong Kong Clipper's load will be transferred to the Hawaii Clipper, which is scheduled to hop off on her return flight to the United States on Sunday, arriving at Alameda Wednesday, June 23.

The Clipper brought no fewer than fourteen passengers to Hong Kong to-day and left later for Manila with none.

AMERICA GIVES JAPAN NEW CHANCE ON 14-INCH GUNS

Washington, To-day.

The United States Government has asked the principal Naval Powers if each will agree to limit the calibre of battleship guns to 14 inches.

All the Powers except Japan have already agreed to a 14-inch maximum, provided that the limitation is universal, and the Navy Department only requires to hear Japan's intention before embarking on construction of two new battleships.—Reuter.

Sir James Barrie Sinking

London, To-day.

Anxiety is felt at the condition of Sir James Barrie, the famous author and playwright, who is suffering from bronchial pneumonia.

A bulletin issued by Lord Horder states he has lost ground since last night and that his condition is less satisfactory.—British Wireless.

BRITAIN'S POLICY ON CURRENCY AND INTERNATIONAL CREDITS

CHANCELLOR'S STATEMENT

London, To-day.

Answering a Member who wanted him, before relaxing restrictions on foreign issues, to take certain action in respect of foreign borrowers who had defaulted in the past, the Chancellor of the Exchequer declined in the Commons to discuss the suggestions stating,

"I do not contemplate any change of policy regarding foreign issues, therefore the question does not arise."

In the course of another answer relating to gold, Sir John Simon remarked: "I am not disposed to accept the view implied in the question that gold appears likely to lose its importance as a medium of international exchange."

GOLD RESERVES

The Chancellor was also asked to estimate the total of British short term obligations to overseas creditors in relation to the gold available as a reserve against them.

He replied that he was not in a position to give any formal estimate.

"From such evidence as is available, however, I am satisfied that any increase in our liabilities in the last six years, which includes an increase in our liabilities to other parts of the Empire, has been far more than covered by the growth in our reserves." — British Wireless.

SOVIET LOAN FOR DEFENCE

Moscow, To-day.

The new Soviet Defence Loan, announced recently, will total between 3,000,000,000 and 4,000,000,000 gold roubles.

The official Government statement on the loan declares that the "Soviet Government finds itself compelled by the united will of the people to consider seriously the question of offering a National Defence Loan for general subscription."—Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH OFFICER AND MEN OF S.W.B. WOUNDED

Simla, To-day.

Major G. L. Tomkins, 1/10th Baluchi Regiment, and Privates Price and Owens, of the South Wales Borderers, were wounded in operations in Waziristan yesterday.

Two Gurkhas other ranks were killed and four Gurkhas and two Indian other ranks wounded.

The enemy casualties are estimated to have been forty.—Reuter.

TRAGEDY OF THE PEASANT IN TIME OF WAR

Amsterdam, To-day.

The seventeenth International Congress was opened here yesterday in the presence of Prince Bernhard.

Addressing the distinguished gathering, which included the Premier, Dr. Colijn, and the Netherlands Minister of Agriculture, Dr. Decker, the Chairman of the organising committee said that the problem confronting the farming community to-day, could be solved only on the basis of international co-operation.

The Swiss representative said that he wanted to remind the world that the rural population invariably had to make the greatest sacrifices of life and property in wartime, and he appealed to the statesmen of all countries to strive for the establishment of peace grounded on justice and neighbourly love.—Trans-Ocean.

100 CHALLENGES TO DUEL

Dr. Palfy, Mayor of the Hungarian University town of Szeged, has been challenged to duels by 100 members of the local Hungarian Nazi organisation, the "Arrow Press" party.

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FRENCH AIR FORCE

MOST POWERFUL EXCEPT SOVIET

Paris, To-day.

"France to-day has the most powerful air force in Europe, with the exception of Soviet Russia."

This was part of the speech delivered by the Air Minister, M. Pierre Cot, at the opening of a new airfield at Bordeaux yesterday.

Compared with June, 1936, he continued, the material side of the air arm had been modernised and increased 110 per cent. and would undergo an increase of 190 per cent. by the end of 1938.

By then, he said, the French reserve air force, will also have been increased 80 per cent.

BOMBING EFFICIENCY

The bombing efficiency of the air force had been raised 40 per cent., he revealed.

There had also been great progress in the domain of the aircraft industry, whose output capacity had grown 30 per cent. in the past year, and at the end of 1938 would be double what it was in 1936.—Trans-Ocean.

Gas and candles were used in the Maidstone Hospital when there was a breakdown at the electricity works.

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CUPID PULLS THE LEVER

NEAL FERRIS locked the door of Jupiter Hats, Inc., Branch 38; shook it; turned, flipping up his coat collar and started into the six o'clock carnival of East Willow Street. An El train screamed down the Market Road platform, dripping sparks from wet rails; a couple jumped wildly apart to avoid them and the man looked back and up indignantly, his lips moving. A large, damp snowflake lighted on Neal's sleek hair—he went always hatless because the ghosts of fedoras and derbies swam through his sleep—and absently he brushed it off, still hesitating.

Then the frailty which always triumphed over Neal Ferris at six o'clock triumphed again. He stepped out in the direction he had no business—East toward Market Road and the Bavarian Village instead of west toward University Square and his furnished room. He walked fast and nervously; he walked guiltily. He was about to commit the one intemperate act of his hat-clerk's day; the one idiotic thing for which he would pay in innumerable small, humiliating ways.

He was about to demonstrate what can happen a generation later when a Mississippi river-boat gambler marries a school-marm on vacation from Needham, Mass. It happened every afternoon. He didn't even make excuses to himself any more, didn't remind himself what a cautious, exemplary young man—everything his grandmother could have hoped—he was for twenty-three hours out of twenty-four. The thing had him now. He just yielded.

He turned the corner into Market Road and approached the Bavarian Village, a hard-yellow-lighted, third-rate beer bar. Once the hubbub of a long line of workmen at the rail had quickened the place into a heartiness almost gay. That was before Repeal had thinned them out: there were so many places now, shiny new stubes with modernistic bars and chromium rails. The nostalgic disrepute of the Bavarian Village, serving the best racketeer brew in town for thirteen years, didn't tug the customers in any more. Once the scrawl on the slate outside had promised fish cakes and roast beef sandwiches free; now it offered only hot-dogs. Once the beer kegs had been unloaded romantically at night. Now—

He walked casually and, he hoped, convincingly up to the bar first. He always did that. It removed some of the appearance of being an incurable sucker.

Pete, the fish-eyed bartender and half owner with the furrowed lip, who was kidding a drunk at the other end of the bar, moved forward behind the counter.

"One light?" He was already drawing it. He looked at Neal from the bottoms of his eyes. He knew that Neal cared nothing for the beer, that he would take only a couple of sips. He thought Neal was a sap, a rather puzzling sap, but a sap all the same, and he showed it. He set out the beer.

"Want some slugs?" he inquired, grinning coldly.

Neal nodded, calculating rapid-

ly as he fingered the dollar bill and some silver in his pocket. A dollar and forty-five cents. He could buy twenty nickel slugs now, or he could buy them five at a time. He couldn't touch the forty-five cents, which represented two breakfasts before payday. He compromised.

"I'll take ten slugs," he said, in a low voice.

Pete scooped eight shiny brass counters out of the cash drawer and pushed them toward Neal, with his change.

"I took out for the beer," he said. He strolled back toward the drunk, who was singing to the whine of a small radio. The drunk was the only other customer.

Now Neal turned toward the machines. There were three, plump, gaudily scrolled metal boxes like cash-registers with levers at the sides. He felt his cheeks pinken with anticipation. His palms itched for the feel of the levers, his eyes were hungry for the spin of brightly coloured

was as dangerous as she was doomed. Neal was nothing if not circumspect and he put her out of his mind. She had called him Pneumonia since his third visit, when he ran in bareheaded out of the rain.

"I just dropped in," he said foolishly.

"Yeah, so I see. With a handful of nickels. You'll never get rich that way, young fellow." She smiled—a cool, pert, blonde smile. When she smiled like that it always made Neal shiver to contemplate her manifest destiny. Under different auspices she might have been—

He laughed nervously and walked over to the nearest nickel machine. He inserted a slug, and pulled the lever down eagerly. There was a whirl. The cherries, lemons, bells, bars, plums and oranges blurred as they spun. A lemon and two bells came up in line. Nothing. The first lemon never paid when it appeared. He sighed and put in another slug, pulled the lever.

ting his last slug in the slot. A cherry appeared, bounced off to a lemon.

He returned to the bar, straightening his tie and glancing covertly over to see whether Ida had noticed his shameful excitement. She was sitting at the corner table reading a paper. She looked over it and smiled at him.

"What, no jackpots, Pneumonia?"

"Oh, I don't play to win," he lied carelessly. "I just put in a nickel for the pleasure of pulling the lever. A nickel a pull. It's fun."

Pete was shaking hands with the drunk at the other end of the bar. He disengaged his big paw and moved toward Neal again, grinning. He nodded his head at Ida and winked. "Nice, eh? Ida and me's gonna go out and do the town tomorrer night."

"Sez you!" Ida called.

Pete cackled. "That's a date, bebbie. Don't you worry, that's a date."

Neal discovered that he was trembling with hatred. His fingers closed about his stein and he had a wild desire to fling it into the face with the furrowed lip. Then he knew he could regain control if he didn't look at Ida. His eyes went gradually slaty, bland again. He might be a fool, but not a big enough fool to start a barroom brawl. Ida would only laugh at him. But he wondered what Nobby Drewer would do if he knew his partner was trying to date up his daughter—big, blustery, kind-hearted Nobby who was, he knew, in Polyclinic Hospital with a cut-up heart. Maybe Pete was only joking. He had admitted he had a wife and two kids in Minneapolis. He must be only joking. Certainly, with his partner's daughter—well, anyhow, it wouldn't matter about her in a couple of years. It was only hard to watch at the start. She was headed only one way and it was none of his business. He sipped his beer.

"Some more slugs?" Pete asked.

Neal pushed half a dollar across the counter. "Ten more."

Pete gave him the slugs and started back toward his drunk—who suddenly turned and shook a finger at Ida.

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oranges, cherries, plums, bells and bars. In his ears he could already hear the clatter of won slugs in the cup—two, four, eight, twelve, sixteen or, miraculously, the jackpot, over a hundred, gleaming temptingly now behind the glass window of the nook which held them.

"Hello, Pneumonia."

Neal turned very red. He hadn't noticed Ida wiping off the corner table. He particularly hated for Ida to think him a sucker; she was a miracle, anyhow, to be waiting on the booth tables of the Bavarian Village—cool and blonde, pert and blue-eyed, a year out of high school and the daughter of Nobby Drewer, Pete's partner. He had been appalled to see a child like that in here the first time; but one night he had heard her unleash a tongue as knowing and effective as a rawhide whip on a customer who got fresh and he had decided that she

Now he was all concentration on the changing trio of symbols behind the little glass face. Animation gripped him as it never did through the long days of offering customers Jupiter hats to try on; colour came into his cheeks, his breath and the New England slate of his usual eyes began to smoulder. Slow whorls moved in them—like the whorls in river water. He deposited the nickels faster, more raptly. He had forgotten everything except the enormous fascination of the game. Two cherries and a bell. Four slugs clattered into the cup. He lost twice and then his heart pounded as the third deep blue plum fell into line. That would be twelve. He was ahead! Abstractedly it occurred to him that he could cash in his slugs now and leave with thirty or forty cents profit. He pulled the lever again and again. Twenty cents ahead. If he could hit eight, he'd quit. Suddenly he was put-



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A general view of the large gathering which attended the official celebration of the King's Birthday on June 3 at Government House. ("Mail" photo).



Three golfers snapped at Happy Valley ("Mail" photo).



Flashing paddles denote that the boats in the ancient Dragon Boat Festival are well under way in the annual race. ("Mail" photo).



Another fine picture of the annual Dragon Boat Festival race in progress. ("Mail" photo).

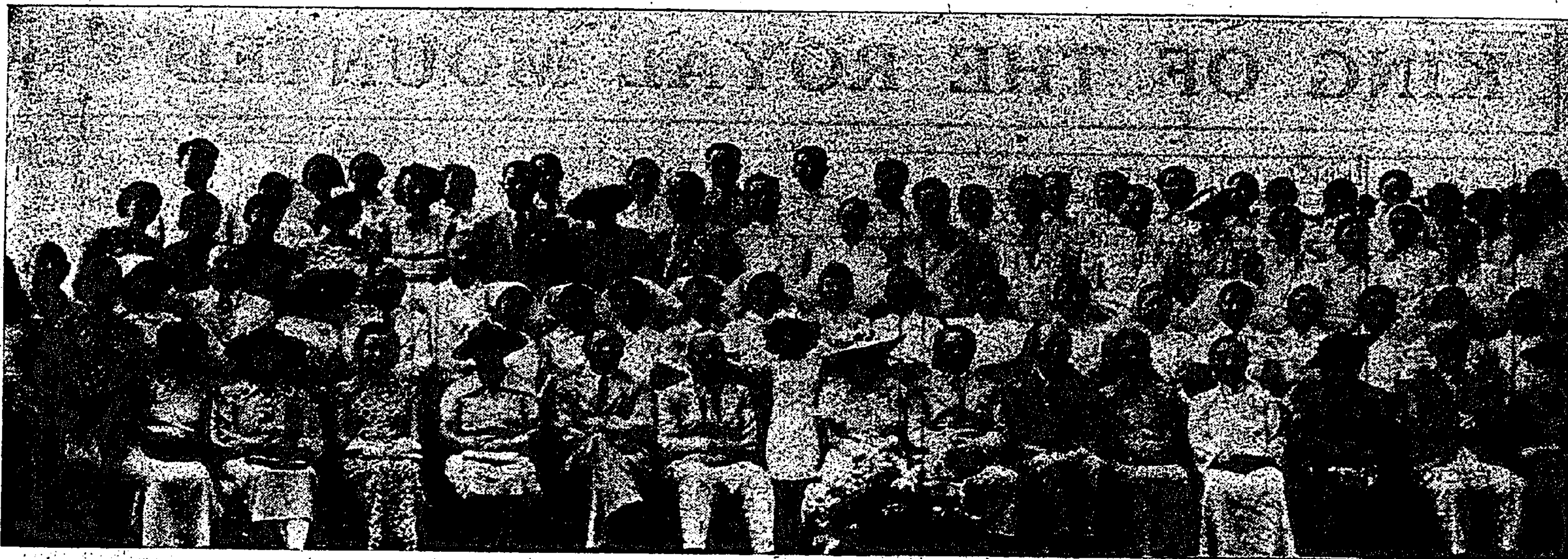
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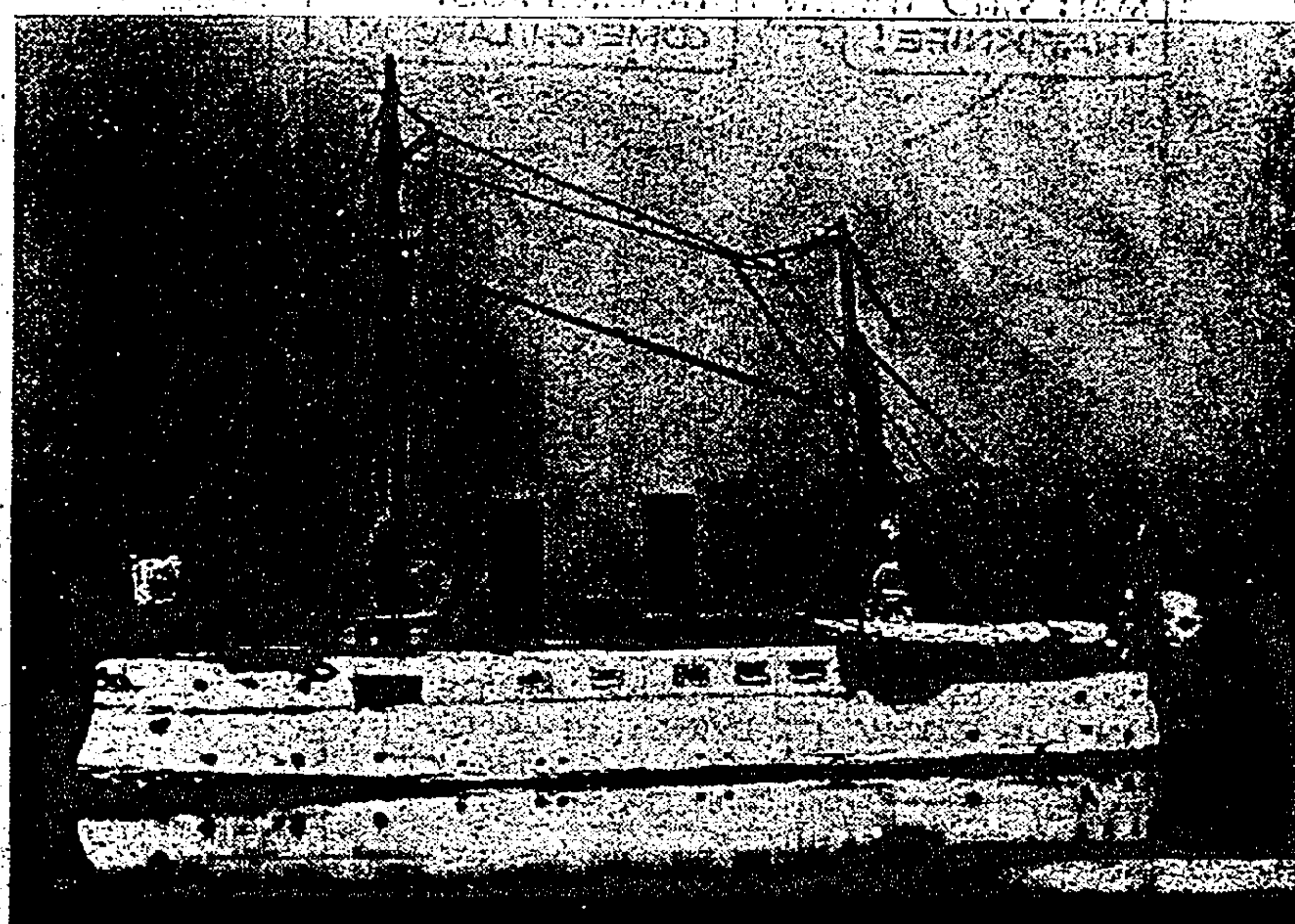
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Group photograph taken at the presentation of certificates to nurses and midwives by Mrs. R. A. C. North. Seated in the front row can be seen Mr. and Mrs. R. A. C. North, Dr. R. H. Kotewall and Mr. Li Tse-fong. ("Mail" photo).



Three members of the Cycling Club snapped on the recent outing.



A toy model, constructed by a seven-year old boy, of the old gun-boat "Patria," which was in Macao a few years ago.

In Lighter Vein

Satisfactory Results

An Irish soldier in France during the 1914-18 war received a letter from his wife saying there wasn't an able-bodied man left, and she was going to dig the garden herself.

Pat wrote at the beginning of his next letter: "Bridget, please don't dig the garden; that's where the guns are."

The letter was duly censored, and in a short time a lorry-load of men in khaki arrived at Pat's house and proceed to dig the garden from end to end.

Bridget wrote to Pat in desperation, saying that she didn't know what to do as the soldiers had got the garden dug up, every bit of it.

Pat's reply was short and to the point: "Put in the spuds."—Tit-Bits.

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Unfriendly

Post Office Clerk: "This letter's overweight, madam. You'll have to put another 3-cent stamp on it."

Woman: "Well, of all things. Here I've mailed dozens of letters that were underweight. And now you want to charge me 3 cents because I'm sending one that's just a teeny bit over the limit. That's terrible. And right at our own post office, too."—Black's Smiles.

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Tact

A certain theatre has found a means of making women remove

their hats.

Before the performance a notice appears on the screen: "The management wishes to spare elderly ladies inconvenience. They are invited to retain their hats."

There follows a general stampede to remove hats.—Tit-Bits.

Mere Detail

Easterner: "I was out West last summer."

Westerner: "That so? Wasn't them hills—"

"The old bus averaged three hundred and fifty miles a day."

"Wasn't them hills—"

"We only had two punctures."

"Wasn't them—"

"Did eighteen miles to a gallon."

"Wasn't them—"

"And two hundred miles to every quart of oil."

"Wasn't—"

"Didn't stop at one garage."

"Was—"

"Boy, it sure was a wonderful trip!"

"Yes, but the scenery?"

"What scenery?" — Winnipeg Tribune.

Sympathy

A gentleman was walking down the street with his little boy at his side when the youngster cried out, "Oh, Pa! There goes an

editor."

"Hush, hush," said the father. "Don't make sport of the poor man. Nobody knows what you may come to yourself some day."—The Lookout.

In Any Case

"Do you realise, Norah, that you've left fingerprints on all the silverware?"

"Well, ma'am, it proves I haven't got a guilty conscience."

NICE WORK

1st Hunter: Hey, Bill.

2nd Hunter: Yeah.

1st Hunter: Are you all right?

2nd Hunter: Yeah.

1st Hunter: Then I've shot a bear.

Old Lady to Librarian: I'd like a nice book.

Librarian: Here's one about the cardinal.

Old Lady: I'm not interested in religion.

Librarian: But this is a bird.

Old Lady: I'm not interested in his private life, either.

It seems that an American film actress was applying for admission to a college and was filling in her application with the dean.

Dean: Unmarried?

Actress: Well, occasionally.

TRUE LOVE

Your car is not as big as Bill's
And you dance worse than Fred,
Your line is not as smooth as
Phil's

Nor are you blond like Ted.

You're not a football star like
Bob,

A Millionaire like Lee:

You wonder why I love you?—

well,

The others don't love me.

—Frances Ayres Moffat

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Femme: A week ago I was crazy about Bill, but now I can't stand him.

Emm: Yes, isn't it awful how changeable men are?

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Brother: Hello, Bill; I'm glad to see you up for H. P. What on earth have you been doing for the past three months?

Bro. Bill: Ninety days.

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"So you say the water that you get here is unsafe?"

"Yes."

"Well, tell me, what precautions do you take against it?"

"First we filter it."

"Yes."

"Then we boil it."

"Yes."

"Then we add chemicals to it."

"Yes."

"And then we drink beer."

KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED -:- B

AT FORT DUVREAU TO HUNT DOWN FUR PIRATES, KING AND LAROUX ARE HANDED A NOTE WHICH KIRK, THE COMPANY'S FACTOR, HAS JUST RECEIVED.

KING! IT'S FROM THE FUR PIRATES.

RIGHT, BUT WHAT'S THIS? THEY THREATEN TO TELL THE MOUNTIES THAT KIRK'S SON IS A FUR THIEF! HOW ABOUT IT, KIRK?

I CAN EXPLAIN. THEY FRAMED MY SON, JACK, WITH STOLEN FURS WHICH WERE DISCOVERED IN HIS CABIN.

THEY PROCEED TO KIRK'S CABIN AS HE TELLS WHY JACK FLED INTO THE FOREST ALONE.

BUT CAN YOU PROVE IT WAS A FRAME-UP, KIRK?

CERTAINLY, YOU SEE RENE LEBLANC, THE RENEGADE, IS BOSS OF THE FUR PIRATES.

FOOT-PRINTS! THE MAN WHO THREW THAT KNIFE!

HE HEADED FOR THE TRADING-POST-- COME ON, LAROUX!

WELL, LOOK WHO'S HERE! THE MOUNTIES!

KING REALIZES IF THE KILLER HAS GONE INTO THE TRADING-POST, HE MAY BE WITHOUT A KNIFE.

WHAT DO YOU WANT, MOUNTIE?

THE MAN WHO MURDERED THE FACTOR. LET ME SEE YOUR KNIVES, ALL OF YOU.

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I LOST MY KNIFE IN THE SNOW YESTERDAY

I THINK YOU'RE LYING, LEBLANC-- COME ALONG WITH ME.

GET OUT OF FORT DUVREAU, MOUNTIE, AND STAY OUT.

LEBLANC HAS OVERPLAYED HIS HAND, LAROUX. I'M SURE HE KILLED KIRK, BUT WE'VE GOT TO PROVE IT.

HOW, KING?

WHERE'S LEBLANC'S HANGOUT?

NO ONE KNOWS FOR SURE, BUT IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE UP BEYOND RAZORBACK MOUNTAIN.

MOTIONING FOR LAROUX TO FOLLOW, KING TAKES A CAN OF PLASTER FROM THE SHELF AND GOES OUTSIDE.

GOT IT, KING?

YES, AND I'M SURE IT'S LEBLANC'S FOOTPRINT.

LEAVING THE CAST IN KIRK'S CABIN, LAROUX AND KING START FOR RAZORBACK MOUNTAIN.

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OVID started it. Nearly two thousand years ago this Roman poet wrote the first Manual for Lovers.

Ever since—through the centuries—poets, cynics, even psychologists—usually in their love frustrated old age—have striven to out-Ovid Ovid.

In my study I have a long, high row of these Hunting Manuals. Down to the latest "Casanova's Vade-mecum."

Sometimes when I feel tired and serious and out of focus I reach up for one. I am always sure of a laugh. In a minute I shall tell you why.

First let me describe some of the choice tricks, quaint deceptions, elaborate techniques of the right-up-to-date Don Juan-Casanova. Amusing, they are: Edifying, too—if you look at them the right way.

THE APPROACH CRUDE

Crudest—and silliest, by far: Persuading a girl to exceed her

best party-average of drinks. In the hope that sometimes her cocktail-clouded judgment will achieve what Love can't.

Crude, but honest—maybe: Loading her with gifts—in the hope of a return. Too often—alas for Don J.—the gold-diggers return. Sometimes, a pensioner for life. For there are cash-minded women, too.

Crude, but conventional: The "Come-up-and-see" technique. "Come up and see my etchings, hear my rumba records, criticise my interior decoration, gloat over my stamp collection." But do come up. For Art's sake!

THE APPROACH SIMPLE

The Sweep-her-off-her-feet technique:

Soulful, romantic, passionate declarations. "You're wonderful, marvellous, thrilling, you—"

Don. J. acts as if he were being swept off his feet. Hopes to hypnotise her off hers. "Already in the eyes of God, we are man and wife! What else mat-

ters?"

A consummate—but a pretty obvious—liar.

The Confidence Trick. In two varieties:

(Number One.) The Big Brother Act. Just a pal and nothing more. Ever so sympathetic and understanding. Ear for all troubles. Shoulder to lean on—weep on. A patient platonist friend until—

One day, maybe on the rebound, she drops into deepest blue. Is emotionally defenceless.

(Number Two.) The "old-enough-to-be-your-father" act.

"Tut, tut, my dear. Surely you're not afraid to dine and theatre with me. Why—I'm old enough to be your father." Also, his wife misunderstands him badly. That's why he refuses to leave her.

The Approach Sophisticated

Aim is to persuade her she is very sophisticated. That's why she appreciates his appreciation, of course.

"After all"—he begins always like that—"after all, life is short. You know that as well as I do. Let's grab the moment before it flees. Why keep putting off happiness? You wouldn't want to die wondering. Now, would you?"

Second line of reserve. "After all, Victoria is dead, and all her conventions. You and I are free people—free to lead our own lives. Are we not?" After all!

Don. J. may have read a psychology book (O! Psychology, what crimes are committed in thy name!).

"If you don't mind my telling you—I don't quite know what makes me do so—but you're suffering from inhibitions. And bad. If you're not careful you'll go scatty or something. Don't you think we ought to do something about it?"

The Approach Subtle

In subtler mood. Don. J.'s aim is to challenge her vanity, pique her curiosity, subtly lead her in to making the first move.

There is the way of "Advance and Retreat."

Step One: "I'm crazy about you. I know you don't care. Tell the frank truth, I don't think I ought to see you. I know if I do I shall have to make love to you. Just can't help myself."

Flattered, she is won.

Step Two: All quiet for a day or so. Then a sudden impetuous advance followed by a thousand apologies. ("My God, I'd give my right hand if this hadn't happened!")

On his rebound of self-abasement she warms to him. Consoles and reassures him.

This he repeats at tactical intervals. Each impetuosity a little darger, subsequent self-abasement a little profounder. Until one day—having slowly acquired the habit of warming to his rebounds—she takes him by the hand and tries to persuade him—not so difficult—that he needed her all the time.

Or this other way. Of "studied but courteous neglect."

First time he meets her, Don J. makes a point of wounding her vanity—some way or another. That fixes his image in her mind.

Somehow he contrives to get invited wherever she goes.

Somehow she gets the impression that he dislikes her.

Remembers to buy carnations—knowing that she prefers roses. She wants to go to a concert: absentmindedly, he takes her to the movies.

A consummate tight-rope walker—Don J.—never too rude, never too courteous.

One day, she spits "I hate you." Don J. stands easy. Now it is her turn to chase, instead of being chased.

That is the theory, anyway.

Do these tactics ever work?

Why, of course they do! If the woman wants them to.

Woman still does most of the choosing. The average woman

Don't Say
You
Were Not
Warned,
Says
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is so constituted—impressions from early life, I suppose—that she always falls for the same type of man.

It may be looks, a certain colouring, height, physique, intelligence, a good-tempered reliability, a certain carefree play-boyish nature or whatnot.

The wise and honest lover avoids the woman to whom he does not primarily appeal. He may be intelligent, gay and fascinating, but if red hair is her type, a sandy milkman has a better chance, any day. The odds are, they're unsuited anyway.

He seeks a woman to whom his appeal is likely to endure—whose appeal to him is not momentary, superficial, desire-inspired rather than love-inspired.

He challenges her curiosity so that she will want to know him better.

Truth is, the Don Juan is a time-waster, an escapist.

Study his psychology and you find that he is—always was—a poor lover. Perhaps because he likes himself so much.

That is why he flits from one to another. He dare not stay long enough to be found out.

There is an Art of Love, though. But that begins with marriage. And can only be learnt in marriage.

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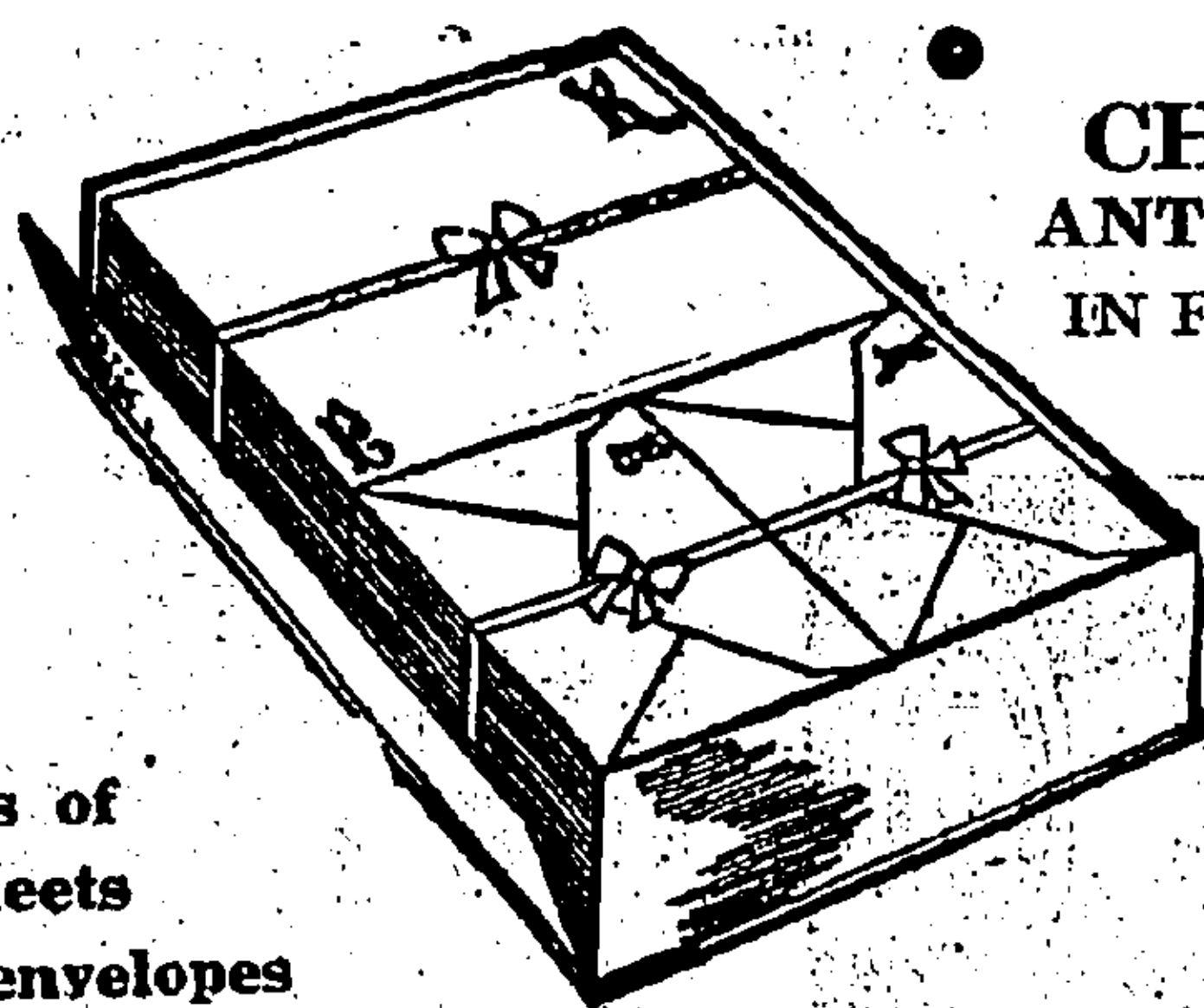
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"Ash a date!" the drunk croaked.

"Pipe down," said Pete.

Ida got up and walked a few steps toward Neal, who noticed something in her face he hadn't ever seen before. Something that flickered excruciatingly and went out. She regarded him gravely for a moment and then flung over her shoulder at Pete:

"Honest, I can't go out with you to-morrow, Pete. I got a date with Pneumonia here. Haven't I, Pneumonia?"

Neal drew a deep, startled breath. "Oh," he gulped, "Oh, why no. I think you're mistaken. Why I—I already have a date for to-morrow night. I—"

Her eyes now were full of cool, blonde scorn. She wheeled and marched toward the back room. Neal noticed that her neck was bright pink beneath a tiny dagger of yellow hair. Her body moved in quick, proud little jerks.

Pete guffawed.

The slugs seemed to melt away now. He hit two once, but that was all. Before he knew it he had fed seven nickels out of the forty-five final cents in his pocket into the greedy slot. With his remaining dime he bought a fresh glass of beer and washed down three hot dogs with it. Pete stood back and watched him from the bottoms of his eyes. Neal ate hurriedly, a bad ache of loneliness, an icicle of futility in his heart. He wouldn't have a penny until Friday, unless he got an advance from Mr. Isaacs on his salary, and he didn't like to ask for that again.

Outside he found it was snowing hard. He didn't notice. People turned to stare at his snow-powdered hair. He walked doggedly toward home, and as he walked he contrived an old dream once more. He amputated Ida from the Bavarian Village, removed the hard protective glitter of her speech, softened her into an immaculate and tractable glow. He separated her from her future and her past. When the operation was complete he allowed himself the vague feeling of being in love with her. But in the process he got the warming certainty that he could not possibly be in love with her the way she was outside his dream. He might be a sucker for slot machines but he had a pretty cool head where women were concerned. He was safe there. Martha Leeds, from Needham, Mass., far off and long ago when she stood up before the parson with Faro Ferris in his checkered vest, had some bright, vital, careful blood for bequeathing too. Most of the time it pulsed steady and strong in Neal's veins—most of the time except for an hour at six o'clock.

But that one hour was ruinous enough. This was Tuesday. He saw no prospect of acquiring a penny from any source until Friday afternoon. He did not tell himself what a fool he was, what a weak, improvident nub. He had gone through all that before. He owed his landlady \$12 back rent on a \$6 room. She'd be tapping on his door to-night. He did tell himself that this was the last time. How could he feed his money into those idiotic machines

whose odds every child knew were impossibly against the player? As if he were a millionaire! And making \$24 a week, not enough to live on properly, without slot machines! Why did he do it when he wouldn't think of betting two dollars on a horse race? When he even avoided the quarter machine? He told himself and asked himself these things—although he had been through them before too.

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The clock behind the bar of the Bavarian Village said: 6.04. Neal romped in jubilantly out of the frosty night. He raised a hand in greeting to Pete, who stared back in some astonishment. Pete decided he was drunk, but he wasn't. It was the letter in his inside coat pocket, burning his breast. He was superior to the slot machines now; he felt like waving a greeting to them too—from the magnanimous victor to the vanquished. He walked debonairly past the bar, scattering sawdust with his toes. He sat down at the end booth table, took the letter out to read it again.

"Order, please." Ida's voice was as chilly as a Bowery hall bedroom in January, as remote as June.

"A beer—if you don't mind."

"I don't mind." Her tone licked tired irony at him.

She whisked off. He watched her in dismay. For a little he couldn't make up his mind what was responsible for the startling transformation in her. Then he saw. Beneath her white scalloped apron she wore a slinky black silk dress and from her ears swung tiny jade pendants; her child's mouth flamed in a too-perfect bow, her silver dust of eyebrows were streaks of black. She was like a little girl, dressed absurdly to play grown-up, a caricature of a hundred tawdry movie heroines and a hundred thousand sedulous youngsters, moving in Broadway and Fourteenth Street on Saturday afternoons. But Neal felt neither pity nor surprise—even while his heart bounced, beat hard and quieted; he felt only a faint relief at having escaped from any entanglement with her. It had been closer than he had realized. Thank Heaven for his good sense. He unfolded his letter and read it again:

VILLIERS AND PETERS,

Attorneys at Law.

655 LaFitte Street, New Orleans, La.

Dear Mr. Ferris:

We are happy to inform you that your grandfather's estate has at last been settled. We enclose money order for thirty-two dollars and sixteen cents (\$32.16), which represents your share in the net assets of the deceased, the late William, alias "Faro" Ferris, of New Orleans, La.

We have in our possession a release signed by the heirs of Lola Lefevre, relinquishing all claim to the estate of the said deceased; the heirs of Jeanette, alias "Blondie" Bridges, invalidated any claims they might have had by failure to appear in the premises; Mrs. Fleur La Fleur, formerly of Cripple Creek, Wyo., died in 1929, at the age of 94, after a sixty-year fight to break

the will, and she left no heirs or legal assigns. The other and minor plaintiffs appeared to have withdrawn; therefore the court granted our petition for final partition of the assets.

In addition to the enclosed, there is standing in your name a plot of fifty acres of rather low riverfront land and farm house, which your grandfather won in a poker game in 1854. The title to this has been investigated and appears good. This land, about one hundred miles from New Orleans, is capable of supporting human life, although even with improvements, we doubt that a tenant could be found, due to its inaccessibility.

We enclose our final bill for five hundred (\$500.) dollars.

Faithfully,

Herbert Peters,

for VILLIERS AND PETERS.

Neal leaned back and enjoyed the intoxication of riches. He was only half aware of Ida setting his beer before him. Absently, plutocratically, he sipped it. An estate in Louisiana, a plantation! Even if he never saw it the sensation of squirehood was enough to compensate for a thousand small frustrations, for a thousand lemons leering from slot-machine windows, for the tier on tier of hats, big hats and little hats, light hats and dark, two-seventy-five-to-three-ninety-eight, parading through his days. Before he knew it, he had begun to build his dream again: he had cut Ida out of the Bavarian Village like a paper doll and plastered her onto his farm—a musical-comedy milk-maid in gingham dress, delectable and gentle, spotless as Heaven. Have I told you that Neal was twenty-one?

He observed that several customers were standing at the bar.

One of them, unshaven, in a ragged coat, detached his foot from the rail and went over to the end slot machine. He dropped a nickel in and pulled the lever. Neal listened indignantly to the clatter of slugs into the cup. At least eight. Maybe twelve. The man scooped them out and returned to the bar, where he immediately cashed them.

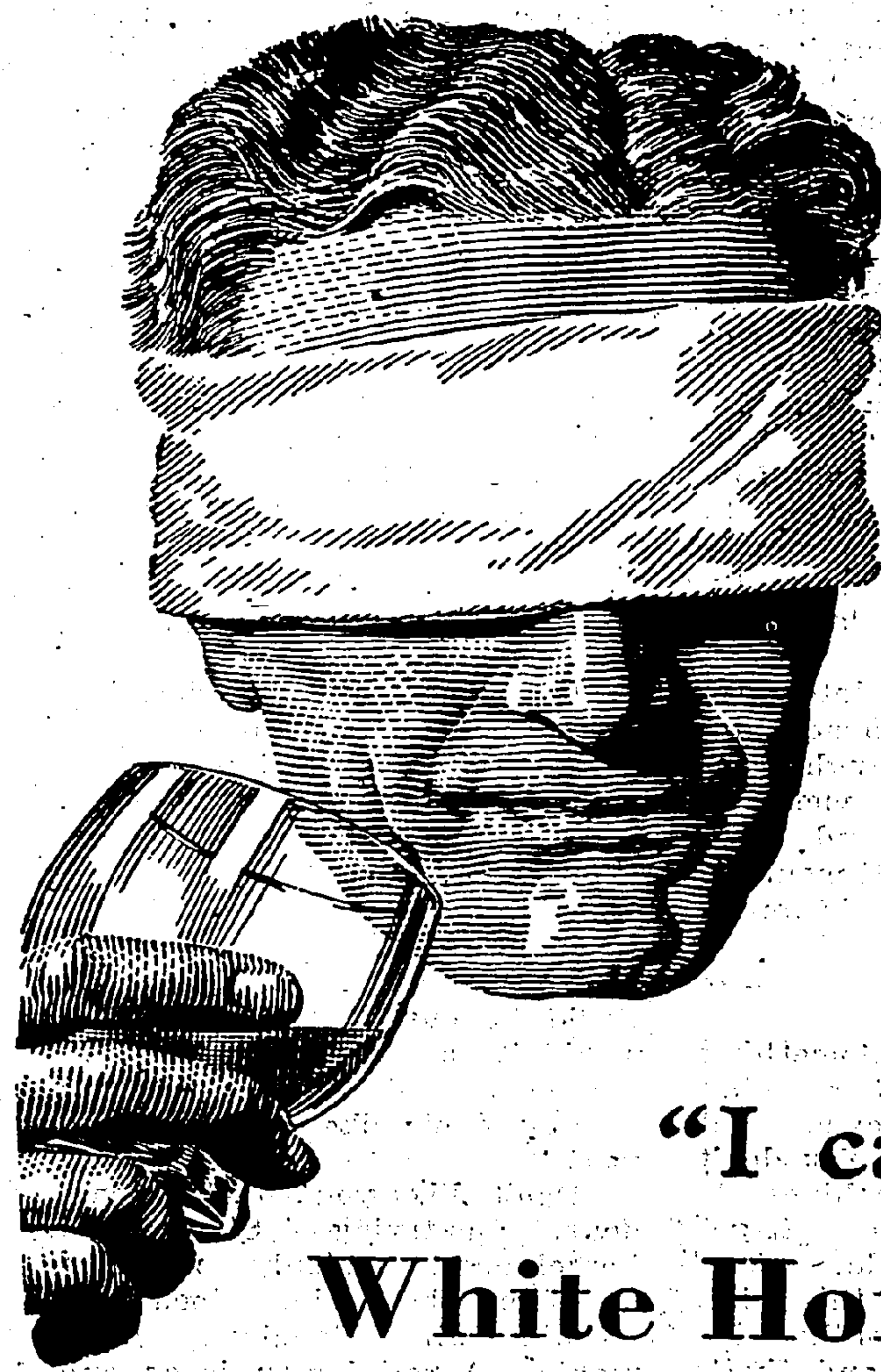
Neal rose. He had not intended to play the machines at all to-night. He had told himself that it would add to his sense of triumph to sit near them without touching them, lifted up too high by the letter to bother. But that bum hitting eight—maybe twelve—the first time, and quitting, was too much. He got five slugs, positively all he was going to play, and attacked the middle machine. The first slug brought two cherries and a bell, four slugs rattling down. He was riding a high tide of luck to-night. Three oranges in a row came next—eight nickels back. He worked the lever faster.

The clock said: 6.45. Neal did not understand how it was possible that he had lost \$6.50 out of his legacy. He counted the remains of it incredulously. He had never come in here with so much money in his pocket before. He had never left with any, and he wondered, frightened, whether he was going to get away with any to-night. Why, he had to keep this money! He had debts. He couldn't afford to let that \$6.50 go. With a bitter resentment of those plump, smug machines in his heart, he said to Pete:

"Give me four quarter slugs."

One hit of sixteen, two of eight quarters, would put him almost even. . . . With his luck running

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"Equal to a fine liqueur"

"I can tell

White Horse

blindfold! And to think that at one time I used simply to ask for whisky-and-soda! White Horse is just like a fine liqueur!"

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and all! He'd quit by all that was holy after the first hit, even if it was only two. His hand shook as he dropped the pig slug down the slot.

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"You poor, nice sap," Ida said. "Buck up, Pneumonia, don't let 'em get you even if you did pour your money down the chute." She poked his shoulder.

He jerked erect in his seat. Black despair had engulfed him so, he hadn't realised that his head was down on his arms.

"Drink your beer," she said. She had taken off her apron now, wore a cloth coat with a trim mousy fur. "To-morrow's another day and you can throw away some more nickels then."

Her smile played a tingling glissando down his spine.

"Oh, I'm not worried about that small change. Those machines? I know, don't you think I know you can't beat them? I play them just for fun." He hesitated. "Say—I'm sorry if I embarrassed you last night. I didn't know what I was supposed to say. Tell me ahead next time."

She chuckled briefly, wisely, deep in her throat as her smile faded. She took a quick breath and slipped into the bench opposite his own in the booth. "Don't mind that," she said. "Don't mind me. But you're not fooling anybody, Pneumonia. I know you're tossing money away in those things that ought to go for coffee and cakes. I know they've got you. Listen: I've got a hunch about fellows like you. You're a petty gambler, Pneumonia. I've thought it out. You're a petty gambler, mister, and you're going to end up on the stem if you don't cut it out. The big gamblers are all right. They know their onions. But people get to be petty gamblers because they've never gambled for anything that counts." She reached over and tapped his sleeve for emphasis, narrowed her eyes shrewdly. "Wait'll you gamble for something that counts and you won't have any time for those clip boxes."

She started to edge out from the table. "That's all I got to say, Pneumonia. Just gamble once for something big—really big, I mean—and you'll laugh off those nickel eaters."

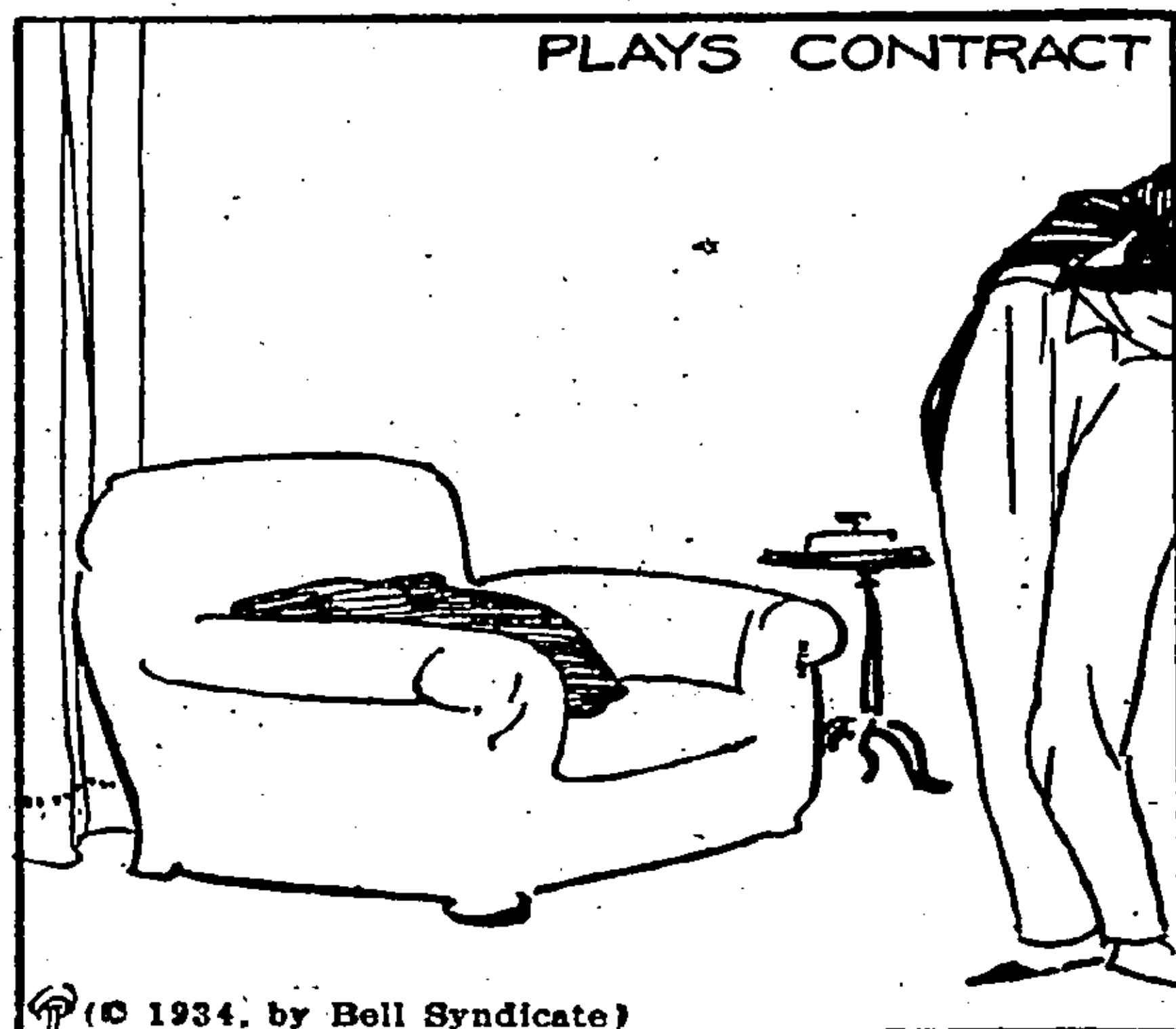
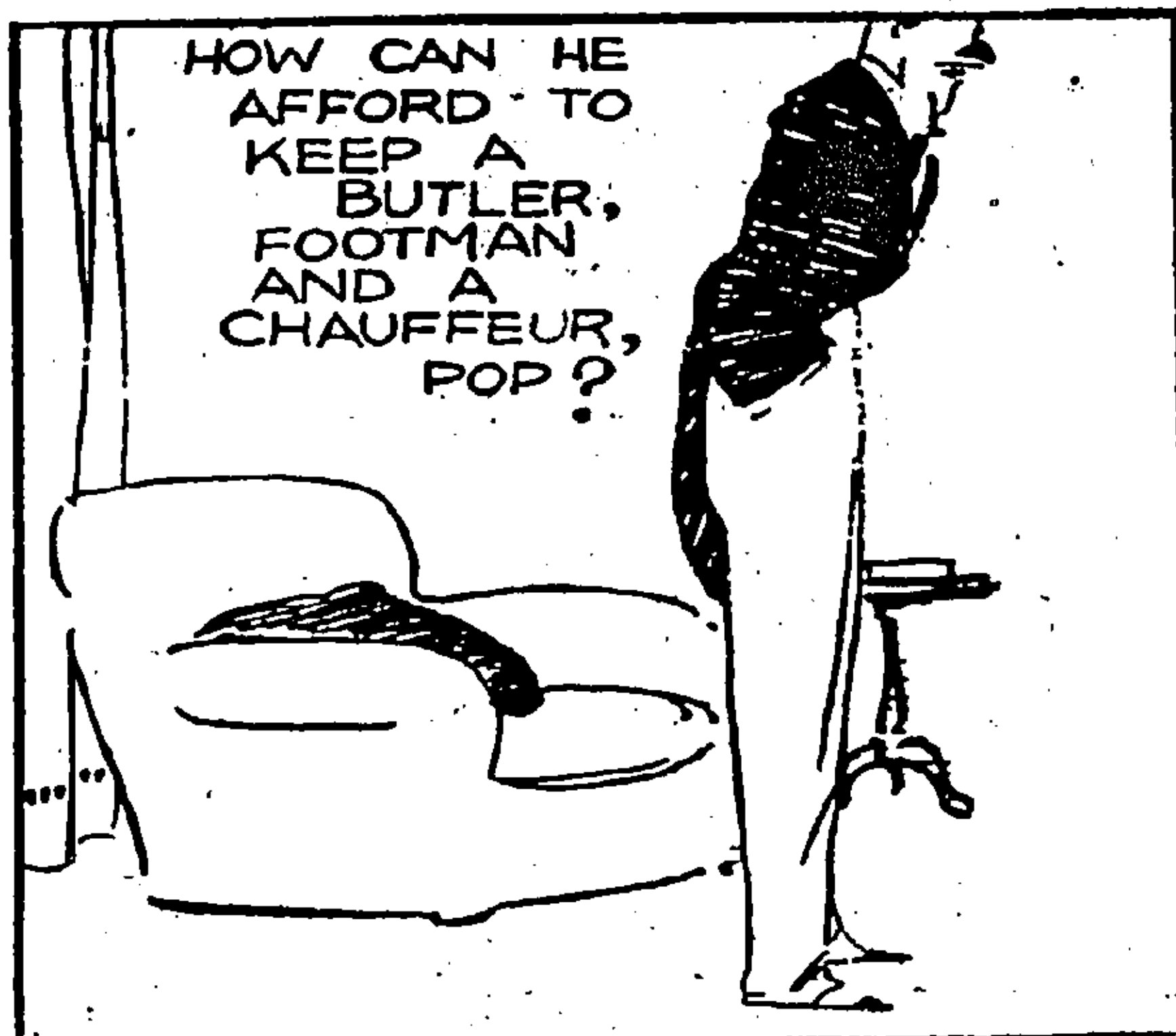
Neal grinned. Her intensity, her childish passion, warned him to a sort of agonised laughter in his heart. Their eyes met and clung for a split second, like hands; they were, in that moment, children whistling in their separate darks.

"Something big?" His tone was abstracted.

"Yeah," said Ida. "Something big." She made up her mind then and sank back down. "I'll tell you what I mean. You don't see me playing slot machines, do you? Well, this is why. I got other things to gamble about. Pop doesn't own any of this joint. He hasn't for eight months. He just works for Pete, and that's what I do. That gorilla! Do I hate his insides!"

"But you're going out with him to-night." Neal remembered now all over again when he reminded her. He remembered his homicidal antagonism for Pete.

"Sure I'm going out with him. I'm going out with him because



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he pays me fifty dollars a week to work here, which is about thirty-five more than he needs to pay. He knows it and I know it. Does it begin to click, Pneumonia? Are you catching on?" Her eyes crackled with bright bitterness. "One more payment to the hospital and Pop's mine. He's better now, ready to come out in a couple of days. Meanwhile, I'm going to string Mister Pete along; I'm going to keep him guessing. Get the idea now about last night? Did you think I was trying to date you up? That lo-peared pug is no fool. Maybe I won't be able to string him along. And so what? And so Pop comes out of the hospital anyway."

She paused for breath.

"I see," Neal said.

"Another thing." She held his eyes sternly and he could see the colour under her rouge. "I don't want you hanging around here any more, Pneumonia. There are other slot machines. Play 'em! Maybe you'll get rich, but as for me, I'm tired of watching the slaughter of the innocents."

Neal wasn't angry, but he somehow thought that he ought to be. "You can't keep me out of here," he said.

"Oh, no? And if I tell Pete you're making a play for me? You'd be out so fast the doors wouldn't have a chance to swing but once."

"You don't like me much, do you?"

"Don't like you? Why, you dope, I was trying—" She stopped herself and suddenly wriggled out from the table, stood up. "That's all. Goodbye, Pneumonia. A relief man is on and Pete's in the barber shop next door getting beautiful. I don't want him to come back and find us still chewing the rag. Pay up and scram, fellow, if you saved a dime out. It was nice knowing you."

Neal's jaw gradually stiffened. Watching him, Ida didn't go

away. Her hair was white pine excelsior in the brittle light. He reached out and tugged absently at her sleeve. "Sit down again," he said.

She sat down. Slow whorls moved in the New England slate of Neal's usual eyes, like the whorls in river water. Finally he said:

"Listen, Ida. I've got a farm, fifty acres of Louisiana swamp land. It's fertile. Things will grow on it. There's nothing for me now in this town. There's no future, I am beginning to think, in Jupiter hats. I've got that farm. I've got a gold watch with a diamond set in the back of it that came from my granddad, the same's the land did."

He hesitated, as Faro Ferris might have hesitated, before a ten thousand dollar flip of pasteboard, but not for long.

"That gold watch will bring a hundred dollars in a pawnshop I know. You go get your pop"—his tone was matter-of-fact—"and the three of us will go down and live on my estate. Of course"—he hurried through this—"you and I'll be married first. We'll pick up a Ford second-hand for twenty-five bucks and get down there some way. We'll make out."

"Well I'll be damned," said Ida. "Pop already has a Ford."

"Of course, on such short acquaintance, I don't love you, but I might," he added gravely.

"And I don't love you—but I might." She spoke, frowning, in a far-away voice, as if she were repeating words in a ritual.

She blinked, then, seemed to come to. She said briskly, "Cut it out, Pneumonia. What sort of stuff is that? I couldn't marry you. I don't know enough about you. I couldn't take a gamble like that."

Without warning they both laughed. They sobered quickly and their eyes held in a sort of frantic mutual inquiry. Maybe a minute. Maybe five. Not an

eyelash blinked between them. Then Ida said:

"We've got to hurry. I'll dust upstairs and pack my bag. I'll admit I'm just taking advantage of a sucker."

"No," said Neal slowly, "you're not."

He got up and strolled, head up, whistling a little tune, toward the front of the room. The enormity of his gamble to-night filled him with a curious swaggering pride. (Faro had felt like that on big occasions long ago.) Ida had been right, slot machine gambling faded to absurd inconsequence beside this other hazard. He had heard you had one chance in five hundred of hitting the jackpot. What chance did he have for happiness? Well, anyhow, he had purged himself of slot machines and slot machine fever forever.

Almost clinically he paused and examined the quarter machine. He was very detached about it. He had two quarters in his pocket. It didn't matter now. Just to pass the time and for no other reason, he'd drop a quarter in. He did and pulled the lever down gradually until the works clicked and the wheels began to spin. He looked on absently.

In the first space a bar hesitated, settled. A second bar zipped into place. A wild hope churned him. The third bar came up and stuck.

"Jackpot!" he cried wildly, as a torrent of gleaming metal counters, over a hundred of them, poured down into the cup, spilled over clinking onto the floor—gleaming myatic and restless and almost as bright as Ida's hair.

1st Kangaroo: Annabelle, where's the baby?

2nd Kangaroo: My goodness, I've had my pocket picked!

"On what did Joe bid his five no trump?"

"One ace, two kings and three whistles."